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Under New York
Sept. 15th 1836
P. M. Tilling Esq
Dear Sir

I enclose my acct. on
Cash Mt. Bank of \$250. please forward
me that amount in Cash at your earliest
convenience

Respectfully
Yours O. M. Smith
J. H. C.

Mint of the U. S.

Ph. Sp. 12, '96.

Sir,

If you will send me a draft on
New York or Philadelphia, for \$250,
I will send you the amount in
half dollars and cents.

Yours very faithfully,

A. M. Patterson,

Secy.

To
J. B. Elwood Esq
P. M., Rochester.

*Gold Bullion received at the Mint from January 1st
to August 31st 1836 — 193,914 3/4 lbs. 12 grs. — \$3,607,713.58*

*Of the above there has been received from the mines
within the United States — 204,583 grs. — \$380,614.00*

*Amount of Gold coined in the above period
\$2,906,000.00*

	<i>Whisk Coints</i>	<i>From U. S.</i>
<i>In 1833</i>	<i>— 978,550 —</i>	<i>— 868,000.</i>
<i>1834</i>	<i>— 3,954,270 —</i>	<i>— 898,000</i>
<i>1835</i>	<i>— 2,186,175 —</i>	<i>— 698,000.</i>
<i>To Aug 31, 1836</i>	<i>— 2,906,000 —</i>	<i>— 380,614.</i>

*The above are the data of my answer
to Mr. Macalister's letter — Sent Sept. 12,
1836.*

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia, Sept. 12, 1836.

Sir, I received your letter of the 24th ult., with the communication of Mr. Washington, Secy, Treasurer of the United States, enclosed, on the subject of the plan and system of accounts which I had submitted to you, on the 24th, for the better operations of the office; and I have today received your letter of the 10th inst., with that of Mr. Wolf, Comptroller of the Treasury, on the same subject.

The ^{seemingly anomalous} objection mentioned by these gentlemen, ~~against~~ making the Director instead of the Treasurer the immediate responsible keeper of the public deposits at the office, had occurred to us here; but we supposed, as you had actually made the transfer of \$200,000 from the cotton-bath Company to the Director, that it was your intention to use this very convenient and effectual method of keeping the

Bullion agency account separate from
all the ordinary accounts of the
Treasurer.

Doubtless, if the object is to make
purchase of bullion, the officer to
whom this trust is confided must
be supplied with funds for the pur-
pose. Now when is it proposed to
employ an agent? I presume it will
hardly be answered - the Treasurer.
The inconvenience of such a selection,
both as to the transacting of the
business and the arrangement of the
accounts, is obvious.

As it is decided, however, that
under the existing laws the funds
can be placed only with the Treasurer,
it appears to me that the scheme of
a bullion agency at the Mint must
await further legislation. Indeed
there is another reason for this. The
purchase of bullion is a mercantile
transaction, and every gain will be
accompanied with losses as well as gains.

But the funds supplied for the purpose
are merely on deposit with us, and
must not be reduced. How then can
they be retained in the purchase of
bullion?

The difficulties which surround
this business seem in fact to make
the provision of Col. Benton of little
virtue in actual practice. I know
that he did not anticipate these
difficulties. He told me that he
expected us to go into market
with these funds, and purchase gold
and silver for our coinage.

The delay, which the ~~interference~~ ^{objection}
given to this provision stated by Mr.
Washington and Mr. Wolf ~~there~~ ^{will} give rise
in the proposed bullion operations of the
Mint will, I hope, cease with an early
action of Congress upon the subject. In
the mean while it is of little importance,
as the Mint will be kept in full op-
eration, by the ordinary deposits, for
the remainder of the present year.

Wm. Lewis Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

R. M. Patterson
Dir.

Bank of America Sept. 12. 1836

Dear Sir

We shall forward tomorrow
(if it does not storm) 3 Regs of Gold and
about \$200,000 in Silver to be deposited
at the office for receiving for account
of this Bank, and I wish that you to direct
the Gold & Silver Coin now ready for delivery
to be put up and delivered to our Messengers
so as to enable him to return with it on
Wednesday Morning.

In haste very truly

Sincerely yours

John W. Caldwell

Rollin Patterson Esq

Director of the Bank

Phila. ^{Pa}

Post Office New York
Sept 10. 1836

Dear Sir

Please send me by Monday
Mail \$100 in dimes & \$200 in
half dimes. I oblige your obedient

J. S. Coddington
P. M.

Ans^d - Sept. 12th - that they would be sent,
and by the mail of that day if possible.

Treasury Department
Sept. 10. 1836.

Sir,

I send enclosed a copy of the Report
of the Comptroller of the Treasury on the for proposed
by you for keeping the Mint accounts &c

I remain very Respy
Yours Obedt. Servt
Saml Woodhouse
Sec. of the Treasry.

D. R. Patterson -
Director of the Mint
Philad^a.

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...Book, ...
...other auxiliary books for our own use.
...the direction of
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continued as heretofore pursued by that department
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both with its market value, and the gain which is made on it.

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(First Plan.)

The following view of the principles and plan upon which Bullion is to be purchased for Coinage, and the Capital deposits of the United States for that purpose is to be accounted for, is believed to be in accordance with the instructions of the Secretary of the Treasury, in his letters of August 8th, Sept. 10th & Sept. 18th, 1831, with those of the Treasurer of the U. S. and the Comptroller of the Treasury.

In obedience to the direction of the Treasurer of the U. S. a number of account books or set of books will be opened, solely for accounts "for monies deposited in the Mint by the Treasurer of the United States for supplying metal for coinage." Which books will be,

I. A Journal. II. A Ledger. III. A book of Warrants, to be drawn by the Director of the Mint, ^{authorizing} the purchase of & payment for any parcel of bullion. To these may be added, a Check-Book, ~~and~~ a General Index of Warrants, and other auxiliary books for our own convenience.

Taking into view next, the direction of the Comptroller that the system of rendering accounts shall be continued as heretofore prescribed by that department, we proceed upon the basis of the account of Copper for Coinage, ~~as it was~~ which presents an analogy to the case in hand. For instance, the United States buys a quantity of copper in market, pays all expenses, and then brings that copper upon our Bullion books, charging the Treasurer of the Mint both with its market value, and the gain which ^{shall} accrue on it.

Following shortly, therefore, the methods by which Copper is ~~now~~ accounted for, we propose to exhibit the preliminary transactions of the Bullion Agency in the set of Books already referred to, and then, ~~transferring the~~ carrying forward the account into our General Bullion Books, put the whole through the usual routine, down to the deposits of coins to the credit of the United States.

The new Books referred to, will contain the accounts under five distinct heads, as nearly analogous as the case will admit, to our Ordinary Books.

1. Gold Bullion purchased for Coinage.
2. Silver Bullion purchased for Coinage.
3. The United States.
4. The Bank of America.
5. The Girard Bank.

The accounts of "Gold (or Silver) Bullion purchased for Coinage" will be Dr. To the "United States," for the various items of gold (or silver) bullion purchased at a given date, or within a given period.

The "Bank of America" or "Girard Bank" will be Dr. To the "United States" for the amount of Treasury Warrants deposited there to the credit of the Treasurer of the Mint.

The "United States" will be Dr. To "Gold (or Silver) Bullion purchased for Coinage" for the amounts of bullion received at the Mint according to the first entry above, and now

in form delivered to the United States, that the latter account may be ~~over~~ ^{deposited} it upon our Bullion Books, when it is now to be ~~made~~ ^{found} through the regular routine of the Mint.

The last account to balance the transaction in the preliminary Books will be: "The United States" Dr. To the "Bank of America" or "Girard Bank" for the amount paid by that Bank upon Warrants of the Director, & checks of the Treasurer, for the various items of bullion purchased.

The above system will show a just balance sheet on the preliminary Books, and will be found to agree with the method of accounting for Copper Bullion.

On the Bullion Books the process proposed, will be according to the present system of accounts in all respects, making the United States the depositor, to be credited with bullion deposited for coinage, ^{Loss on deposits, & money u. s. in the bank for coins.} and to be debited ~~essentially~~ ^{with} coins deposited to their credit, with Profit on exports, ~~and~~ ^{warrant for the amount of coins.}

On the above forms, our accounts will be exhibited by two distinct settlements: first, as to the preliminary, or market transaction, and second, as to the Minting transactions. It is proper to add, that items of Profit and Loss will appear in the second settlement.

A final & Summary Statement of William Windlay, depositary of the United States, in account with the United States, will also be rendered, according

In the instruction of the Treasurer of the United States - exhibiting to the debit of the Depository, "the amount transferred to him for procuring metals for the Mint, the amount of coins made therefrom & deposited by him, the amount of bullion on hand at the date of such account to be ascertained by a certificate annexed of the proper Officer, & the amount of any warrant on his favor issued to replace the amount lost by the coinage." And on the opposite side "the amount paid for metal." "By this process, the account will be exactly balanced." But it is proper to add, that the Treasurer of Depository may have another item of credit - i.e. for money withdrawn from his keeping by the Secretary of the Treasury.

To these several accounts of the Treasurer, the written approval of the Director of the Mint is directed to be annexed. We presume this will be effected by his warrants for the payments for bullion, & the delivery of coins, according to the practice in other cases. -

(Second Plan.)

The following order of accounting for Bullion purchases for Coinage, and the Capital Deposits of the United States, is believed to be consistent with the directions of the Department, and subject to the system of checks under which all our accounts are placed, by forms originally furnished from the Comptroller's Office.

In obedience to the direction of the Treasurer of the U.S. a new set of books will be opened, solely for acc^t for money deposited in the Mint by the Treas. U.S. for supplying metal for Coinage." Which books will be,

I. A Journal. II. A Ledger. III. A book of warrants to be drawn by the Director of the Mint authorizing the purchase of & payment for any parcel of bullion. Also, a Check-Book. General Index of Warrants, Invoices. Book, or other auxiliary books for our own convenience.

These Books will contain the accounts, ^{by double entry} under ten distinct heads, ^{as nearly} according to the method pursued in relation to other subjects, as the case will admit; ~~and~~

1. ~~1. Bullion purchases of Gold Bullion for the Govt.~~ 2. ~~2. W. & purchases of Silver~~
3. ~~3. Bullion purchases for Coinage.~~
4. ~~4. The United States.~~
5. ~~5. The Bank of America, acc^t of Govt. deposits.~~
6. ~~6. The First Bank, acc^t of Govt. deposits.~~
7. ~~7. Profit & Loss on bullion.~~

7. Bank of America, acct. of Gold coins, of the govt.
8. Bank of America, acct. of Silver coins, of the govt.
9. Fund Bank, acct. of Gold coins, of the govt.
10. Fund Bank, acct. of Silver coins, of the govt.

These heads of account will be found to cover the whole ground of operations. For example.

The govt has deposited with us, and we have deposited in the Bank of America, to the credit of the United States (according to usage here, & the instructions in Mr. Washington's letters, which send such deposits as not actually ^{by} the U. S. Treasury) the sum of \$400,000.

That Bank sends us an invoice of \$100,000 in new dollars.

"William Findlay purchase of Silver Bullion for the govt."
~~"Silver Bullion purchased for Coinage"~~ (representing the Treasurer of the Mint acting for the U. S.) is Dr. To "The United States" for so much bullion bought; \$100,000.

"The Bank of America, acct. of Govt. deposits" is Dr. To "The United States" for the amount of Treasury warrants deposited there, to the credit of our Treasurer, 400,000.

"The United States" is Dr. To "The Bank of America, account of Govt. deposits" for the amount paid out of that fund of \$400,000, upon warrant of the Director & check of the Treasurer, to disbursing the above invoice, \$100,000.

"The Fund Bank acct. of Silver Coins" is Dr. To ^{"William Findlay, purchase of Silver Bullion for the govt."} ~~"Silver Bullion purchased for Coinage"~~ for so much received from the Silver Coins in coins & deposited in that Bank to the credit of the Treasurer of the Mint (being \$50 more than the original deposit) \$100,050.

"The United States" is Dr. To "Profit Loss on Bullion" for so much gained on the invoice rec'd from the Bank of America; \$50.

The above will be found to exhibit a just balance-sheet, as well as a distinct view of operations under each head, of which Quarterly Reports will be made as usual.

It will be seen that there is a

This Bullion, while it stands to the debit of "Bullion purchased for Coinage" is going through the routine of our General Bullion Books; and when it comes through, in the shape of coins, ^{they come on} ~~it~~ credited to that account, and charged to the Bank where they are deposited.

An awkwardness will occur in our General Bullion Books, when Silver Bullion is Dr. To the depositor. It will run - "Silver Bullion, Dr. To ^{William Findlay} ~~Silver Bullion purchased for Coinage~~" The former acct. represents the Treasurer of the Mint in his own proper function; the latter represents the same individual, as depositor for the United States. But this, which is only an awkwardness, not

a difficulty, arising from the double duties devolving upon
that officer, & cannot in any way be avoided, except by
introducing some other person as General depository.

A final & summary Statement of W. Bradley's
acc^t with U.S. as a depository, will be rendered
according to the instructions of Mr. Washington,
showing "the amount - &c &c." -

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Sept. 10, '36.

Sir, Mr. Steinhaus has just called on me with an ~~affection~~ ^{urgent} inquiry ~~from~~ as to the means to be pursued by you for procuring such silver change for your Bank. I answer that the only ^{easy} ~~means~~ is for you to make with us a deposit of Bullion or foreign Coins, which will be ~~silver~~ given to you, in your turn, the kind of Coins that you desire. — If, however, you can get an order for the Account, from some Bank having deposits with us, — such as the Girard Bank, U.S. Bank, or Bank of America, then you could be supplied with less subjected to the same delay.

Yours,

R. M. P.

Dr

To/
Wm. Patterson Esq.

To the President & Directors of the Mint of the
United States at Philadelphia—

The Petition of the Subscriber
Respectfully represents,

That your Petitioner is a resident of Philadelphia
and has a family depending upon him for support, and
understanding there is a vacancy in the Watch Department
of the Mint would hereby solicit to be appointed, as a
Watchman at the Mint, should you be pleased to grant
my request, the duties of the Station, shall be punctually
and faithfully performed, and will ever be held in gratitude

by Yours,

Yours &c. &c.

Alex. Jackson.

Philad. Sep. 10. 1836.

The undersigned beg leave to Recommend to the Directors of the Mint
of the United States, the above named Alex. Jackson, as a young
man with a family of good character, sober, and industrious habits
and whom we conceive the utmost confidence may be placed in to
fulfill the duties of the Office of a Watchman of the Mint, with fidelity.

John C. Steen

Wm. Hall

N. L. Keyser

Jacob G. Baker Cap. U.S. Watch

John B. Adams

John D. Wolf President
of the Board of Commissioners

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Sept. 9th 1836

Sir,

In compliance with the request in
your letter of the 31st ult. we send to your
address, this day, a Keg of Cents, containing
\$150. worth, - for which amount you will please
to send me your draft on New York.

I am sorry that it is not in our
power to give you dimes and half dimes
for a draft, the Mint having no funds for
this purpose. Perhaps an application to some
of your City banks would be successful.

Very respectfully

Your faithful servant,

To/

John Wood Esq.

Cash: Bank of Rome, N.Y.

Treasury of the United States,

Sept. 7th 1836.

Sir:

The enclosed warrant in your favor was received at this Office
on *this day* and is accordingly transmitted to you
with my order annexed for payment.

Please sign and date the accompanying acknowledgment, and transmit
it to this Office by return of mail; and present the warrant at Bank, with-
out delay, in order that it may be returned, with its accounts, for settlement.

I am, respectfully,

Sir, your obedient servant,

John Campbell,

Treasurer U. S.

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Oct 29th 1836

Sir,

Being desirous of obtaining a situa-
tion in the Mint and having heard that the
Office of Watchman of the establishment is
vacant I respectfully solicit your favour in
placing me in that situation promising that by
a faithful discharge of duty to merit your
confidence

Very Respectfully
your Obedt Serv

Wm Summers

Bank of Auburn
8th Sep 1836

For

Enclosed you have my check
directly to Bank of the Five hundred dollars,
for which please forward the amount, if they
can be furnished, in return, 1 half dozen case of Rice
1 Old Westport Cayuga Co N.Y. If the whole
amount cannot be furnished please send as many of each
I include the prices of each item
Robert M. Wallcut Esq. Dan. J. W. Respeck Esq. Secy.
Director of the Bank

Sir,

Treasury Department
First Comptroller's Office
Sep 8th 1856

I have, in compliance with the instructions in your letter of the 21st ultimo, caused the forms proposed by the Director of the Mint for keeping the accounts for carrying into effect the regulation in the 12th section of the Act of Congress of the 23rd June last, to be carefully examined, & beg leave to report, that as the money which are to be transferred to the Mint under that section for the purchase of metals for coinage, are to be disbursed in the manner directed by the 3rd section of the Act of 2 April 1792. The forms in question are considered to be inconsistent with the respective functions and duties assigned to the several officers of the Mint, by the last mentioned section, for conducting the different branches of business of the institution.

I beg leave also, to observe that the forms prepared by this office when the institution went into operation, are so well arranged and adapted

advised

for effectuating the object for which they
were intended, that any modification or change
in them, would, as it appears to me, in some
measure destroy the checks which they place in the
hands of the different officers over the operations
of each other, thereby securing a faithful dis-
charge of the duties imposed on each. The forms
referred to are returned, herewith.

I have the honor to

Yours faithfully
Complotted

Wm Levi Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury.

U. S. Mint, Apr. 8, '96.

Sir,
The whole amount of your certificate will be taken to your treasury by Mr. Ogden; and in comply with your request by sending nearly all the gold in quarter eagles.

Very respectfully,

—

A. M. P.

Dear

To/

Robert White Esq.

P. O. New York

Sept 7. 1830

Dear Sir

We received the Dimes
& 1/2 dimes Yesterday. Please
send us \$100 more in dimes &
\$200 in 1/2 dimes. My last order
was \$300 in 1/2 dimes you sent but
\$200 worth. If you will be
kind enough to send them to your
Post Office with a request that
they be put in the New York Mail
bag after labelling them for this
Office Col. Page will no doubt
send them as requested.

R M Patterson Esq
Phil:

Your Obedt Servt
J. S. Piddington Rm

Manhattan Company

New York 7th Sept 1836

Sir

We have this day delivered
to Mr M^d Ogden, Asst Cashier of the Man^y
Bank of this City the following M^d Certificates
belonging to this Company, with the request
that he will procure the Specie for us, viz:

No 104.	Gold Bullion	\$ 21,037.40
" 198	ditto	1335.8
" 211	ditto	1711.32
" 70	Silver Bullion	\$ 227.12

\$ 22,730.98

If you can give Quarter Eagles for the Gold
Certificates, you will oblige

Yrs M^d Obedt Serv^t

Robert White
Cashier

Manhattan Coy
Directors of the Mint

Post Office Rochester N.Y.
Sept. 7. 1856

We find it impossible to keep supplied with
change - What arrangement can be made
by which we can be supplied with cents &
5 cent pieces - We have heretofore been in
the habit of procuring between \$2 & \$300 an-
nually in cents from our Bank, but they
now inform us they cannot furnish
them. We presume the mint will
give a preference when they are repeatedly
connected with a public office -
Could a small Reg. of 5 cents be forwarded in
the winter season with safety -

Yours Respectfully

M. B. Clifford
P.M.

London 7 September 1836.

Dear Sir, you will receive by the Montrose
two of the ballads which are all that I
have been able to get finished as yet -
I have the other three in hand, and will
~~use~~ use every exertion to get them done
as soon as possible - I am much in want
of money at present, and would be much
obliged if you would on receiving the
ballads, send me some. I was in hopes
that I should have been able to leave here
before this, for Philadelphia, but I have found
it impossible to, with some engagements here, as
soon as I expected. Yours & Respecting S. Weston

W. Montezuma
Dr R. M. Patterson, London ^{to} Sep 1836.
Philadelphia

Sir

By the direction of W. Saxton
I have ship a box of weights & scales
to your address W. Montezuma
for the U.S. Mint; & now enclose
you a bill of lading. I have
insured it to upon it, & if loss
occurs, you will be as good as
to send me the necessary docu-
ments to recover the amount.
The Charges W. Saxton is to pay
on his return from Paris. The
ship is to sail tomorrow.

Yours Obedt Servt

J. H. Varyban

Dupl. Orig: M^r Monterguma
Dr R. M. Patterson London Sept 1866.
Phil^a

Sir
By the direction of M^r Saxton I have
shipped a box of weights & scales to your address,
M^r Monterguma, for the United States Agent;
& now enclose you a bill of lading.
I have insured £50 upon it, & if loss occurs,
you will be so good as to send me
the necessary documents to recover
the amount.

The charges M^r Saxton is to pay
on his return from Paris. The
ship is to sail tomorrow.

I am Yrs. Obedt.

Wm. Vaughan

Mail of the United States,
Philadelphia, Sept. 6, '96.

Sir, Your letters are half-dimms were
sent, as usual, to the Mail Stage
Office, to be carried by the Mail
guard; and I hope that you have
received them before this time.

You asked that they should be
sent by Mail, but we did not
understand that you wanted them
to go in the Mail bag, as we did
not know that this had ever been
done, or that suppose that it
would be permitted. If it be,
it is by far the safest and most
convenient mode of conveyance.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant,

Wm. H. Reddington Esq.

R. M. Patterson,
Director.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Sept. 6 '96.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Eckfeldt had put up
four bags of gold for you, and,
to pay the \$50,000 for which you
ask in your letter of yesterday, he
says that one of these must be opened.
You will get nearly all your gold
in quarter eagles.

We shall be coining half dollars
by show in a few days, and we
shall issue them somewhat improved
in their face, and a tenth of an
inch narrower. We are getting rid
of the Blood-money as fast as we
can.

Very respectfully
Yours,

R. M. S.

Wm. A. R. E. E.

Dear Sir

Treasury Department
(Comptroller's Office)

September 6. 1836.

Sir,

Your account of the Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures of the Mint of the United States, from the 1 January to the 31 March 1836 has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of \$41,552.71 found due from you to the United States.

Balance due of your account rendered \$ 10,501.01

to which add, -

Amount of a Cent reported of Report at \$9.101

The following warrants issued since the period for which your account is rendered, & not yet audited by you - \$12.50

\$12.50 dated April 1. 1836 3,200.00

30th June 2. 53,950.00 61,952.00

\$ 10,481.12

From which deduct, -

The same, being the difference between the amount charged in your account for December quarter 1835, suspended of Report \$14,513 (in want of the Invoice) and the amount of the Invoice, now received - \$12.50

Amount of Invoice 6,112.71

Amount charged in Dec. of 1835 5,182.61 928.10

to above \$ 10,481.12

Very respectfully
Yours Obedt^l George
Comptroller

William Tindley Esq
Treasurer of the Church
Philadelphia.

Dark of moon Sep. 5. 1850

Dear Sir

The Commercial Bank of Cincinnati wishing to obtain \$50,000 in U.S. Gold Coin for its agency at St. Louis, I have this day forwarded to Wm. D. Lewis Esq. Cash of the same Bank an order on you for the amount, and I respectfully request that you will be pleased to deliver it accordingly, and the amount shall be credited on one of the Mint Certificates held by this Bank -

wishing when we next ^{send} to the Mint for Coin, to obtain as large a proportion of quarter Eagles as possible. I must beg that only a part of this \$50,000 be delivered in Coin of that denomination, and the balance in half Eagles -

We shall forward to the clerk in the
course of a few days a further supply of
Gold and Silver for covering for our acct.

In great haste very Respectfully
 Yours Truly
 Timothy Young

Roll Patterson Esq

Director New York

Philad^a

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Post Office New York
Sept. 5. 1836

Dear Sir. Your draft for \$300
was presented this day & duly Hon^d
but the Divines & 1/2 divines have not
been rec^d. which is a great disap-
pointment as we are very much in
want of them. When Col. Pay
was ^{here} he had them brot by Mail
bag and ^{in the} there was considerable
delay in getting the others by the
Mail Guard. I wrote for them to be
transmitted as formerly in the Mail
bag for this City. If they have not
sent them please request the Post
Master to forward them by return of ^{the} Mail.
Much Obedt^y S. J. Codding

To Jack Merwin
J. W. Patterson Esq
Director of U.S. Mint

New Orleans 4th September 1886

Dear Sir

Enclosed we send you Bill of
Lading, for Gallion & Hammered Silver, valued at \$5000, shipped on
George Jack Merwin's Capt. Marks and consigned to your address
which you will please receive on behalf of United States Mint
of New York, rendering them a mint Certificate as soon as
practicable.

We are Very Truly Yours

1 Bag Mark M in Seal
Containing 4000 oz Silver
414.25 Hammered Silver
about \$10.00 in French Silver Coin

J. W. Patterson, Esq
Per Edward Smith

P.S. We have paid the Freight of the
Bag here



Shipped, in good order and well-conditioned, by *J. B. St. John, Gregory H.*
on board the good *Bark* called the *Pescadore* whereof
New-Orleans, and bound for *Philadelphia* is Master, now lying in the Port of
To say:

M.

One Bag said to contain Bullion and
Hammered Dollars amt. to \$950 Dollars

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like order and
condition, at the Port of Philadelphia (the dangers of the Seas, Rivers
and Navigation, of whatever kind, excepted) unto *Wm Patterson, Disputing*
or to his Assigns, he or they paying Freight for the said Bullion
First Collard paid by the Shipper.

with 1/2 per cent. primeage and average accustomed, In Witness whereof, the Master
or Purser of the said Vessel hath affirmed to these Bills of Lading, all of this tenor
and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in NEW-ORLEANS, the *2* day of *Sept* 1836

James Heath

P.O. New York

Sept 2 36

Dear Sir

Please send by
Mail \$300 in 1/2 shares
& \$100 in Bonds

Obliged

J. L. Coddington
P.M.

Statement of the Deposits and coinage of
Gold at the Mint of the United States, in the
month of August 1836.

Balance remaining uncoined, July 31st \$852,270

Deposits for Coinage

Bullion of the United States ... \$80,260

Foreign Bullion 201,855

Foreign Coins 725,430

1,007,545

1,859,815

Amount of Gold coinage within the month
of August, of which \$391,700 was in Quarter Eagles 631,400

Balance remaining uncoined, August 31st \$1,228,415

Mint of the United States
August 31st 1836

*Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Sept 2nd 1836*

Sir,

*I send you herewith, in compliance
with the directions of the Department, the monthly
Statement for August, of the Gold Coinage at the
Mint of the United States*

With great respect

Your faithful servant

*Amos Levi Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury*

New York Sept 1st 1836

W. M. Patterson Esq

Director of Mint

Gen Sir

We send you to-
day in charge of Mr L. Morange a
small Bar of Gold which please
have assayed -

Yours Truly

J. S. Johnston
The Director

Post Office New York
Oct. 28. 1836

Dear Sir

Please have the goodness
to send me One Key of Cents

Y^r Obedient servant

J M Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phila.

J S. Coddington
J M

Bank of Montreal
Oct 28 1836

R. M. Patterson Esq
Street Mont.

Dear Sir,

I duly recd yr. favor of 30 Sept. advising me that, in the course of 3 or 4 days you would forward me 120 \$lls. and in cents for my check of that amt.

Not having in the cents recd. from them, I feel some anxiety about them, especially as the navigation on the Canal is drawing to a close for the season - Permit me to enquire whether they have been forwarded -

I saw a notice in a late paper that you were about to coin cents from a mixture of silver & copper of a much smaller size than the coin now in use - Is this information correct & if so when will they ready to be issued

I am very Respectfully

Yours obly

W. Pappey

Must
Oct. 27, '76.

Dear Sir,

We shall ^{have} ready for delivery, on
Saturday, 29th, given of the Coin due
on your Gold Certificate No. 227, viz
Whole Amount \$ 225,228.99
Paid Oct. 14, on acct, 56,389.69
Due 168,849.30

You can also have, at same time,
the Silver of Cert. No. 26, viz \$50,179.38

Another Mail has come from
Washington, and I have no letter from
the Secretary on the subject of ~~the~~
~~your~~ the Pullman agency.

Yr

M

P. M. P.

Director

Wf

Geo. Newbold, Esq. }
Pa. Bk. Association }

Macon Georgia 21st October 1826
To the President of the Mind of the U.S.

Dear Sir,

I have taken in this travelling, as I have not seen the pleasure
of an acquaintance with you, that the subject upon which
I now address you is one which has so often been discussed
in our country without being satisfactorily settled. I beg leave
to request you to examine the necessity of the mind and
ascertain at what time it commences operations what uses
the different denomination of Being it assumes at its commu-
-ment, at what periods it changes the denomination of its
Species &c &c I wish you to be especially specific with
regard to the time of its first period as that has been the principal
subject of controversy being denying that even man has been
seen before the constitution and other accidents which
equal confidence that in the early stage of the mind
that given of that denomination used before your
early reply to the above will confer an obligation on
your self etc.

J. E. Smith

U. S. Mint, Oct. 25, '35.

Dear Sir,

I have not received any instructions from the Secretary of the Treasury on the subject of your letter of yesterday, and I cannot now get any communications from him before tomorrow. As soon as I do so, I will come on to N.Y., for I feel very desirous that the Bullion agency should have a communication before the meeting of Congress. —

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant

R. M. Patterson,

Dir.

Wm. G. Marshall, Esq.

San Francisco Oct. 25. 1875

Dear Sir

Very recent advice from the Treasury
Department I have reason to believe that it
is there deemed desirable & important that
the Treasury Contemplated, upon which
we Coopered together some time since
for supplying the allent with Railroad L.
Should be carried into full & immediate
effect, and as I consider it also of the
utmost importance, it becomes very desirable
that we should again Cooper together on
the subject - If you can possibly leave
home, may I beg of you to favor me with
an interview in this City within a day or
two from this - You have probably this
day or will tomorrow receive a letter from
the Secretary of the Treasury on the subject -

Respectfully,
R. M. Patterson Esq.

Director of the allent
Philad.

In haste very truly & sincerely
Yours
Geo. Newbold

Wash. D. C.
Ph. Oct. 24 - '61.

Sir,
Your letter of the 17th is just received, enclosing a draft for \$120, for which a box of cents shall be forwarded to you at an early day. We have ~~not~~ no new copper coin; and the prevalent ~~rumor~~ report about the issuing of small coins of base silver is without foundation.

We cannot at present furnish dimes and half dimes, except in return for a deposit of bullion or foreign coins.

Very
Respectfully,
P. M. P. Jr.

W. L. A. Spalding, Esq.

W. S. Hunt,
Pho Oct. 24, '36.

My dear Sir,

I send enclosed, and com-
mit to your care, two copies of a
Memorial to the Councils, asking for
liberty to substitute a brick culvert of
36 feet diameter, ^{for draining the street,} instead of iron
pipes, authorized by an ordinance of 10th
June 1830, ~~for draining the street.~~ The
water that is to pass is clean, being
almost exclusively that from the roofs,
and the superior boiler. ~~The necessity~~
~~of~~ we have made our contract
with Mr. Fowler, and wait only the
action of the Councils, ^{in order} to commence the
work, ~~the possibility for which~~ ~~we~~
can which will not admit of any longer
delay. You will greatly oblige me ~~if~~
you can get through the object of my per-
tains at the next Meeting of the Councils.
Very truly, Your friend,
W. S. Hunt, Esq. R. M. P. Director.

To the Select and Common Councils of the
City of Philadelphia:

The Memorial of the undersigned

respectfully sheweth:

That by an Ordinance ^{passed on} the 10th of June
1830, permission was granted by the City Coun-
cils, to the Director of the ~~United States Mint~~ ^{United States} Mint, to lay iron pipes, at the ex-
pense of the United States, ~~and under the direction~~
~~and superintendence~~ from the Mint ~~Building~~
at the corner of Chestnut and Juniper Streets,
along Juniper Street, as far as the Common
Sewer at the south side of High Street, and
then to make an opening into said Common
Sewer, for the purpose of conveying the water
from the Mint Building: — that circumstances
as have prompted the Director of the ~~Mint~~
from taking advantage of this ordinance
until the present time, when the necessity
of more effectual drainage has become ur-
gent; and that, on consulting competent
advisers, he is informed that ~~the~~ iron
pipes would not be ^{sufficient} for the pur-
pose: — The undersigned is therefore
induced to solicit permission of your

Howarth Proceeds to substitute ~~and~~ for
the iron pipes a small ^{brick} culvert, under
such regulations and conditions as in
your judgment may be expedient.
And, as in duty bound, &c.

To the Select & Common Councils of the City of
Philadelphia:

The Memorial of the undersigned

respectfully sheweth:
That permission was granted ~~on the 10th of June, 1830~~ ^{on the 10th of June, 1830} by
the City Councils, to the Director of the U. S. Mint, to enter
down an iron pipe into the common sewer of Broad Street
for the purpose of carrying off the waste water of the City
Chickadee. Experience has since shown that the pipe thus
allowed is of insufficient dimensions to answer the proposed
object; and the undersigned is therefore induced to solicit
permission of your Honorable bodies to substitute a small
calvert under such regulations and conditions as in your
judgment may be expedient.

And as in duty he.

20 Oct. 1836.

R. M. Patterson,

Director of the Mint of
the United States.

Attest.

Charles D. Smith

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director

Bank of Geneva
Oct. 22^d 1836.

Dear Sir

Yesterday we rec^d. in good order the
3 Keys of Copper Count advised of in your favor
of the 30th Sept. Wth as to be forwarded to you.

Yours Respy

C. A. Cook Cashier

Mint of the U. S. _____
Ph _____ Oct. 22, '96.

Dear Sir,

We did not know, until after I wrote my last letter to you, that the Gold Certificate No. 205 was in the hands of the Grand Bank. We shall now attend to your instructions with regard to it, and the sum of \$56379.69 paid to you on the 14th, shall be considered as an account of Cert. No. 227. As we have now ~~\$157451.59~~ ^{\$157451.59} on ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~check~~ ^{check} of No. 205, to pay to the Grand Bank, we cannot pay you No. 227 until the week after next, and after that day I will give you due notice. Your balance of No. 94 you know to be now ready. Before we can coin more for you, we have half a million to pay to the U. S. Bank. But we shall be coming half a million by steam in the course of a few days. I am sorry that your first draft on the coinage of quarter eagles came too late; your gold being already all in ingots.

Yrs. A. A. T. E. G.

P. M. P. J.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Oct. 21, 1836.

Sir, I had the honor to write to you, on
~~since my letter to you, of the 18th,~~
on the subject of a deposit of plata
finas made by Ca the Girard Bank
on the 22d of June last, and respecting
the extraordinary loss on which, by melt-
ing, Capt. Jonas P. Levy had made
complaints to your department. On
the 19th inst., Capt. Levy brought to
the Mint another deposit of plata
finas, consisting of two parcels, one
imported from Lima, the other from
Chile. The first was from the same
~~and of the same appearance,~~
name, as the deposit of June last,
and Mr. Levy judged that the result
of its melting would test that of
the other. The second parcel, was
of in beautiful white leaves, ~~as~~ remarks

able for their lightness:

The melting of these pencils was done yesterday, ~~and Capt. Long was present during the whole time~~, — the melting of both pencils ~~was~~ being conducted exactly in the same manner, and Capt. Long was present during the whole time. The results are as follows:

Deposits from Lima,	
Night before melting,	5772.3
" after "	4855.4
Loss,	816.18

Being 11.73 per cent.; and thus per exceeding the loss in Peru, which was 11.48 per cent.

Deposits from Chile.	
Night before melting,	1289.5
" after "	1273.8
Loss,	15.18

Being only 1.23 per cent.

These results seem conclusive on the subject of Capt. Long's complaint, and I believe that he so considers them. I am to make out for him a detailed statement of the transactions, and I understand it to be his intention to have recourse to the funds in Lima from whom the purchase was made.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Secy.

Wm. Levi Woodbury,
Secy. of Treasury.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Oct. 20th 1836

Dear Sir,

As we are very anxious to try a pair
of your chilled rolls, I consent to your terms,
and request you to make us, as soon as pos-
sible, one pair, according to the dimensions
sent herewith, for which if they be perfect, I
will give you \$200, though this is a price at
which it would be impossible to introduce
the general use of such rolls at the Mint
and its Branches.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant,

R. M. P.

Denn

To
Cyrus Alger, Esq
Iron Foundry
Boston.

A drawing, with dimensions &c., accom-
panied this letter.

Re. Mr. Patterson Esq.

Laurens Oct. 19. 1836.

Dear Sir,

We have this day
shipped for Sch. Compton, 6 cases cont
planchets for armed men.

We hope to send a similar quantity
in about 10 days. remain.

Very Resp. Y.

Yours Ob. Serv.
Brook & Bro. & Co.

Dec. 392 & ca. 2.352 & ca 32 ct — \$752 ⁶⁴/₁₀₀

Commercial Bank Chicago
Oct. 19th 1836

Dear Sir,

Enclosed I hand you my debt Philip's
Bank note for \$200 for which I will thank you
to forward me small silver (as for your letter
of 15th inst) to Philip's Bank with at my risk and
subject to charges - As I shall be at N.Y. the
24th I should feel obliged if you would cause
them to be forwarded on receipt of this.

Yrs. P. M. Patterson Esq.

Very Respectfully Yrs. J. M. Smith

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Oct. 18, 1836.

Sir, I have to acknowledge ¹⁹ ~~the receipt of~~ your letter of the 8th inst., in-
structing me to give a careful
examination to certain papers of Capt.
James P. Leary, respecting a deposit
of plate coins made at the Mint
by the Girard Bank on the 23d of
June last, and to report thereon
to your department. I have
to I gave to this subject a
thorough investigation, and im-
mediately after the difficulty with
regard to the result of the deposit
was first made known to me,
and the result of my inquiries is
contained in my communication

to Messrs. R. and J. Phillips, of the 12th
of August, the copy of which is
herewith returned to you.

I have now only to state that
I see no reason to change the opinion
which I then expressed "that the
great loss which took place in the
melting was entirely due to the
presence of an unusually quantity
of mercury and other impurities."
My ~~Capt. Long~~ confidence in the
honesty and carefulness of the silver
smelters employed is unshaken, and
the insinuations of Capt. Long with
regard to them are inconsistent
with the evidence of Mr. Mannell,
clerk of the High-courts, and Mr.
Eckfeldt the Assayer. The former
distinctly recollects to have had his
attention called to the bad appearance
and great weight of the plate found
when first melted, and the latter
informs me, ~~that~~ in confirmation

of Thomas Stowell's evidence, that
~~he distinctly~~ while the melting was
going on, the men called ^{upon him} ~~his attention~~
~~to notice~~ the peculiar smell of the
fumes, ~~and~~ that he distinctly per-
ceived it, and pronounced it to a-
rise from the fumes of arsenic.
Mr. Mannell and Mr. Eckfeldt have
no kind of interest ^{or connection} in the transaction.

It certainly would appear that
Capt. Long has been deceived as to
the quality of his plate found, and
has not only sustained an unexpected loss
and somewhat serious loss in his
purchase; but I am decidedly of
opinion that he can have no claim
upon the government for redress, but
that his only just remedy is ^{to} ~~refer~~
the persons from whom he procured the
silver?

Yours
Wm. P.
Sec. of Treasury.

P. M. P.
Dr

Dartmouth Oct 19 1838

Dear Sir

I have received your favor of the 18th enclosing Mem. & Certificate of the deposits of Gold made by this Bank on the 14th Inst.

I thank you for the information that the Com. is ready for our Silver Certificate N^o 94 amounting to \$50179.³⁸ -

It appears by a statement furnished by the clerk to our last Messengers, that of the amount of Gold delivered to him on the 14th Inst. the sum of \$88379.⁶⁹ is understood by you as being paid on account of Certificate N^o 205 - but as that Certificate was transferred by this Bank to the Second Bank on the 10th of Sept. for the balance then due on it, say \$151451.⁸⁹ I must regret that you will be pleased to consider the sum of \$88379.⁶⁹ as above stated to be paid on account of Certificate N^o 227 instead of Cert. N^o 205 - so that the Second

Bank shall receive from the Bank the whole
amount due on the letter at the time that
it was transferred to them - that being done
and the Gold Coin mentioned in your letter
of yesterday as nearly ready being considered
as applicable to that Certificate held by
the Board Bank, you will please inform
me what amount of Gold Coin will be
ready for delivery by Tuesday or Wednesday
of next week, on account of Certificates
held by us - You will please prepare
for us as large an amount as possible,
and add to the Silver now ready as large
a sum as you can get ready for us -
Our payments in Coin have been very
heavy and have diminished our stock of
Specie more than one Million five hundred
Dollars within the last 5 weeks - and
as pressing demands upon this City continue
daily, I much hope that you will give us
as early returns from the Bank as you
possibly can - Very truly & respectfully

Wm Patterson Esq
Director of the Bank
Philadelphia

Wm A. B. Smith
Jas Newbold Pres

P.S. as the Company of Gold is detained by making
quarterly Engles, you will please Coin half
Engles only for the remainder of our deposits -

Yrs. G. W. Smith

San Francisco Oct 18. 1856

Dear Sir

The dark Call upon us for Coin
is so unusually heavy that it becomes necessary
for us to obtain from the Mint a further
Supply as early as you can possibly furnish
it - The whole of the Gold brought on a
few days since has been paid out, and
the large amount of Pollution that we have
at the Mint will render it inconvenient
unless we can have early delivery - Do me
the favor therefore to advise me what
amt. of Gold Coin & also of Silver will
be ready for us in 3 or 4 days from this
when we shall propose to send for it

Very truly & Sincerely
Yours

Rich Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philad^a

John W. Cole Esq

Washington Oct 18th 1835

Dear Sir

I receive yours of the 11th inst, two or three days since, and have in answer to say that as soon as the State & District come to hand I will apprise you of it and state in what condition the affair should you be very desirous to know the time at which you can have the weights that are intended for the U.S. Mint in Philad^a. You will be so good as to write to the Superint^t on the subject, as my movements are guided by his orders. They can be worked out so as to be ready for final adjustment in a short time (conf^d) after I receive directions to do so. I have calculated the sizes that the patterns must be made, the wood is blocked out and put a side so as to become better seasoned, at the time that we may wish to work them out.

I remain With great respects
Yours
E. S. Rogers

To
Mr. Patterson
Philadelphia

Respected Friend,

Lockport 10th 17. 1830

I enclose my \$1.20 for which please forward to
me at your earliest convenience a Reg. of Conts. The new coin if you
have them would be preferred.

On what terms do you give them & by whom.

Yrs. M. Patterson

Director &c

Truly

L. A. Spelling

L. A. Spelling

Lockport

Niagara Co. N.Y.

Bank of New Hampshire
October 14. 1836

Dear Sir I enclose I forward my draft on
Fallon Bank 100, Dollars for a bag of cents which
is received -

Yours respectfully
E. Benjamin Cash

Robert M. Patterson Esq
Director of the U.S. Mint

Mint of the U. S.
Ph., Oct. 14, 1856.

Sir,
We send you today, through our
agent at New York, three keys, viz.

No. 20, \$165 in cents

27 135 "

29 { 90 "
100 half deniers
10 deniers

\$500

Yours

Wm.

P. M. F.

Dr.

Wm. P. Mercer, Esq.
Cash. Union Co. Bk.
Waterloo, N. Y.

P. C. Fuller, Adrian, Michigan.

City Bank & Co.
Commercial Bank Buffalo,
Bills & Co. durs, Toledo.

P. C. Fuller, Cash. Eric Kalamazoo,
R. Road Bank, &—

Regulations
for the Door Keepers of the Mint.

1. The Door-keepers must be at the Mint at 5 o'clock in the morning, and they must both continue at the Mint until after the bell is rung for breaking off work in the afternoon, and, in turn, one of them must remain for half an hour after the Watchman has come to the Mint.

2. During the prescribed hours, neither of the Doorkeepers is to leave the Mint, without orders from an Officer; and one of the doorkeepers at least must always be ~~at his station~~ on duty.

3. On Sundays, one of the doorkeepers will attend in the morning, and one in the afternoon.

4. ~~The duty~~ ^{Upon this duty} of the Doorkeepers is to attend to all persons applying at the door, ~~and on business~~, and to show them to the proper Officer; to attend to Visitors to the Mint according to the Regulations made with regard to Visitors; to be

that improper or suspicious persons be
~~not admitted~~ ^{not admitted}, or be removed if
they have gained admission.

It is also their duty to attend
to the rooms, in the front of the building,
— opening and closing them, sweeping them
daily, and seeing that they are washed
from time to time, — building ^{and} keeping
up the fire in winter, and, in general,
attending executing all such services as ~~the~~
are required for the comfort and accom-
modation of the Officers and Clerks.

It is also their duty to ring the
bell at the times prescribed, — to
assist in the counting-room, and to go
on errands, on business of the Mint,
when required by an Officer.

R. M. Patterson,
(Director.)

Mint, the U. S. }
Oct. 14, '76 }

Mint Cert. N. 226. Gold —	\$ 263.620.31
" 227 " —	225.285.77
	<hr/> 488.909.30

" 87- Silver, \$201.304.77

On Ky \$2 dollars sent	}	4,000. —	<hr/> 205.304.77
to Mint in mistake —			
			Dollars. 694.214.27

October 13. 1830.

Bank of America Oct 13. 1856

Dear Sir

Mr. Polhemus from this Bank
will hand you this, twice deliver at the
amount for insurance for our acc^t, 43 Keys of
Silver Containing 200,000 Mexican Dollars, and
one Key of Gold, Containing 9480 Sovereigns
and some pieces of Silver, Value 1344 Francs,
being the exact amt. rec^d. on acc^t of the Spanish
indemnity. You will please deliver to Mr.
Polhemus all the Gold & Silver Coins ready for
delivery on acc^t of Antiquities held by this
Bank - and also the Key of St. Peter (Dollars)
which I sent you in mistake.

Very truly & Respectfully
Yours

John W. Cole

Cell Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Philad^a.

Minist. of the United States

Philad^a Oct. 13th 1836

Sir,

I have this morning received your
letter of the 7th

Our Chief Coiner tells me that he
will give \$200 in small silver for your check
on New York, to any one here whom you
may authorize to receive it.

The law of June 28th 1834 is ex-
plicit on the subject of the tender of foreign
Gold. It is receivable only by weight: the
22 carat gold (British &c) at 94 $\frac{3}{4}$ ct per dw.

Very respectfully

Your faithful Serv^t

R. M. P.

[Signature]

To/

Stewart Jones Esq

Bank of America Oct 12. 1858

Dear Sir

The severe storm of this morning
prevented our sending the Gold & Silver
mentioned in my letter of yesterday, if the
weather permits our messenger will start
out with it tomorrow morning by the
10 o'clock line - He will be instructed to
return on Friday morning and to bring with
him all the Gold & Silver coming from the
West that may be ready for delivery on
account of the Certificates held by this
Bank -

Very truly & respectfully
Yours

Rich Patterson Esq
Director of Mint

Philad^a

Geo. W. Wells Esq

At St. Louis, Mo. Sept 12th 1856

Wm Patterson Esq

New Orleans 12th October 1856

Dear Sir

We have your enclosed
bill reading for one box containing Silver & Mohammed Dollars
valued at \$1,600. Will be your address, which please receive
and send me certificate of proceeds to Messrs J. & J. John
St. Louis.

We are Very Respectfully Yours

1222 of Silver

220 Mohammed Dollars

J. & J. John, Gregory & Co
St. Louis

Boston Oct: 12. 1856 —

Sir, Your favor of 7th is recd — Our usual
price for heavy shells has been 10¢ per lb., but we
have always charged more for small ones —
Besides, stock is very high as well as labor,
& we must advance on that score — We
cannot tell exactly what yours will be worth
till we make a trial — We will make one
pair if you wish for 200¢; & then at
such price as they may be found to
be worth —

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phil^a

Yrs m^{fr} — Cyrus Alger

By Callender

Bank of America Oct 11. 1858

Dear Sir

We shall forward by the 10th
of boat tomorrow morning \$200,000 in Silver
to the Reg. of Gold to be deposited at the
Bank for receiving for our use -

as it may not arrive at Philad^a
before 5 or 7 O'Clock you will have the goodness
to direct the Bank to be kept open to
receive the deposit

In haste very sincerely

James
G. Wallace Esq

R. M. Patterson Esq

Director of the Bank

Philad^a

W. Oct. 11. 1836

Sir,
Above you have check on our
Deposit Bank for One Hundred & fifty
Dollars. which amt. I have forward in
cents. Ours. Yours

Wm. Amos

R. M. Patterson Esq

Director, Mint

Sir,

Treasury Department

Oct. 10th 1836

I send you ^{herewith} enclosed a copy of my letter to
you of the 5th inst. in relation to Mr. Levy Plata Pina, which
^{of the Treasury in putting up the letter}
by mistake, was sent to a gentleman (to whom I had occasion
to write) of your name in Ohio.

I am, Sir, respectfully, &c.

Levi Woodbury

Secretary of the Treasury

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Quincy Mass. Phila.

Sir,

Treasury Department Sept 5. 1836

I send you the enclosed papers of Mr. Levy, with a request
that you will give them a careful examination and report to this
Department as soon thereafter as may suit your convenience.

I am, Sir, your Obedt. Servt.

Levi Woodbury

Sec. Treasury

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Quincy Mass. Phila.

Re. Mr. Patterson Esq.
Director.

Laurenton Oct. 8. 1856.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt
of your esteemed favor of the 2nd inst.

We have been prevented executing your
order for Planchets until this time, owing to
the severe drought. but the machines being
now in operation, we shall probably be
able to give you about a ton per week. In
the course of next week, we expect to make
you a shipment. I will send them along as
we finish them as fast as possible.

If we could make ^{a contract} an arrangement
with you to supply a stipulated quantity
monthly or quarterly. it would be an object
for us to make the necessary arrangements for
delivering your requisitions promptly; heretofore
there has been so much uncertainty whether
^{any} planchets would be wanted beyond the
^{limited} orders given us, that we have not felt

Warranted in accumulating a stock, or of incurring
the risk of making machinery, which could be
used for no other purpose -

Our facilities for supplying the mint,
with what Copper is used there, are probably
greater than any other establishment in the country,
and the Copper market of this country being regulated
by the English, we can afford the article named
probably as low as it can be imported for.

After completing the order already
received, we will negotiate for a further
quantity -

Very Resp^{ly}.

Yours O^bl^y Geo. S.

Crocker & Co. N^o. 27 So.

P.S. In reply to your inquiry as to how far we
could furnish planchets, we have to say, that
provided there was a prospect of supplying what
will be used, we could deliver 10 or 20 tons -

months

C. B. 3/13

Wm. L.
Ph Oct. 7, 1836.

Sir, I have received the papers respecting
Capt. Jonas P. Leary's plate price,
but in consequence of a mistake
^{as to} the accompanying letter, (which I
return to you enclosed,) I am
unable to give instructions with re-
gard to it.

W.
R. M. P.
De

To
Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

Mint of the U. S.
Ph. Oct 7 - '76.
Dumb.

Be so good as to let me know
if you can undertake the making of
rolls for the mint, and they are to
be chilled; and ^{are} to be turned and
finished by you, in the most perfect style.
The dimensions
of the rolls is in length, by about 7/8 in di-
ameter. At what price per pound,
or per pair, can you furnish them?
If your terms are satisfactory, or
will send you the exact dimensions,
with an order of which we will keep
your rolls executed.

Yours
Y

Rich. Patterson,
Director

To/

Treasury Department
Oct. 11th. 1856.

Sir,

Please inform this Department
as soon after the 1st. proximo, as may be practicable of
the amount of the gold coinage at the Mint since
Oct. 1st. last: and, also, the whole number of pieces.

The amount of silver & copper coinage may be also given
if convenient. — I am, Sir, with respect,

your mo. ob. St.

Sam^l Woodlump

Secretary of the Treasury.

A. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of Mint
Phila.

Treasury Department
Oct 7th 1826

Sir,

Your favor of the 5th inst. covering
your monthly statement for September of the gold coinage
at the mint of the United States has been received.

I hope you will continue to push the
gold coinage with all practicable dispatch.

I am, Sir, respectfully
your obedient servant

Saml Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury

To
A. M. Patterson
Mint
Phila

Commercial Bank of Chicago
7th October 1876

Dear Sir

Will you have the kindness to
inform me whether my Aft in you for 200
of diners Phaeedimes would be honoured
upon my remitting you Aft in New York
for like amt? And also what your construc-
tion of the law is in regard to tender of gold?
Can you make tender of Scrips at 4.00?
I am early and very truly
Yours

Wm. O. S. S. S. S.
S. S. S. S. S.

J. M. Patterson Esq.

Mint M H
Ph _____, Oct. 6, 1836.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the instructions
of J. R. St John, Gregory & Co. of New Orleans,
I send you enclosed a Mem. and Certificate
of a deposit of silver made
by them at the Mint on the 30th ult.

Yours

R. M. P.
D

W
Messrs. J. R. St John & Co.
N. Y.

Extracted - Letter from Capt. Long to Sec. -
asking reward of the government for his loss on
the plate pin - copies of Memoranda -
and copy of Director's Comm. to class.
R. & J. Phillips of Aug. 1, '96.

All sent back to Sec. with letter of Oct
18, '96.

Mint of the U. S.
Oct. 5, 1836.

Dear Sir,

I am happy to find, from your letter of yesterday, that the mistakes ^{with regard to} in the silver deposits of the U. S. M. are now completely understood and corrected.

Mr. Eckfeldt says that, for fear of disappointment, he will not ~~arrive~~ arrive at ~~the~~ the 12th for your subduer to come on for ^{the} silver for your certificate of \$201,304.97. At the same time he will give you at least four bags of gold coins. Indeed these are now ready.

I have to thank you for your letter respecting the proportions of half and quarter eagles to be coined for you here-
forward.

Yours

T. M. P.

Dear

To
Gen. A. C. Wood, Esq.,
P. Bk. America.

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a October 5. 1835.

Sir
I send you herewith, in
compliance with the directions of the Depart-
ment the monthly Statement for September,
of the Gold Coinage at the Mint of the
United States.

With great respect.

Hon. Levi Woodbury, } Your faithful Serv^t.
Secretary of the Treasury.

Statement of the Deposits and Coinage of
Gold at the Mint of the United States, in the
month of September 1836

Balance remaining uncoined Aug^r 31 \$1,228,415.-

(Deposits for Coinage)

Bullion of the United States — 30,980.

Foreign Bullion 1,105.

U. States Coins of former Standard — 225.

Foreign Coins 238,365 270,675.-
1,499,090.-

Amount of Gold coinage within the
month of September of which \$285,985
was in quarter eagles 482,905.-

Balance remaining uncoined Sept: 30 \$1,016,185.-

Mint of the United States
September 30th 1836

Mint N. S.
Ph. , Oct. 5, 1856.

Sir,
I received this morning your letter of
the 29th ult., with the accompanying
check for \$500. The amount in cents,
and with some dimes and half dimes,
shall be forwarded to you, as soon as
the cents can be coined. We send, this
week, between two and three thousand
dollars worth of cents, to your state.

Yours

M

R. M. P.

D

W
Wm. V. Mercer, Esq.
Cash. Seneca Co. Bk.
Waterville, N. Y.

Dr. Joseph A. Stevens Oct. 4. 1858

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 3^d and
thank you for the information therein -
It is not only satisfactory in regard to the
apparent deficiency referred to, but it explains
to us the Cause of the apparent deficiency
of \$1000 in our Vantty previously noticed by
us - The whole amount sent on the 14th Sept
was without doubt \$207,845⁰⁰25 instead of
\$206,845⁰⁰25 as then stated - The Reg^y
of 4000 American half Dollars sent by us
in mistake, you will please deliver to our
Messenger who will be sent to the client
immediately after we shall be advised that
the Coin for our Silver Certificate of \$207,845⁰⁰75
is ready for delivery. I remain with great regard
Yours

Rolls Patterson Esq.
Donator Reg. Agent.
Providence

Very truly yours
Geo Newbold

Dalhousie Oct 3. 1850

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 1st inst
and beg leave to say in reply that we have no
other wish on the subject of the proportion of half
& quarter Eagles to be coined for us, than those
which are occasioned by the desire to furnish
the denomination of Coin most convenient &
desirable to the Public, so far as the Bank is
concerned half Eagles are equally acceptable as
the quarter, but we find that the latter are
much more acceptable to the Community, and
as they are certainly much better suited than
for general circulation, and have accordingly
requested the Coining of a large proportion
of them - If however the delay ^{thus occasioned} in the Coining
is injurious to the general interests, it is proper to
consider whether a smaller proportion of quarters
will not be the better coin, and on that point
you can form a more correct opinion than

Myself - if you have however recently come
for a large amount in quarters, I am perfectly
willing that the balance hereafter for our use
shall be in equal numbers of halves & quarters

I shall hope to hear from you tomorrow
morning on the subject mentioned in my letter
of the 1st inst -

Very respectfully & truly
Yours A. L. Larned
for Mrs. Larned

Rollin Patten Esq

Director of allent

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Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia Oct 3, '36.

Dear Sir, I am much that in handing
me the certificate of your Silver de-
posit of the 11th Sept., our clerks
should have neglected to mention the
circumstances which has given rise to
the apparent deficiency in the amount,
which you inquire about in your letter
of the 1st. It is that one of the bags
which you sent us, marked 4000 Dollars,
was filled with American Half Dollars,
and is of course omitted in the certi-
ficate, as evidently sent in mistake,
and ~~not~~ to be simply returned with
the rest as if same deposited.

There is still, however, a difference in
our statements; as you make the nomi-
nal amount forwarded \$206,845.25,
and we make it \$207,845.25. It
is for you to reconcile this discrepancy.

as our Clerk of the High Room is
confident that he has committed no
mistake in the cash, and I presume
that you will not be disposed to
dispute his accuracy. Supposing the
\$1000 to be a sum authorized
mistake on your part, you will gain
on the dispute \$746.15.

I send enclosed the statement of
our Treasurer Viller.

Yours

W

R. M. P.

W.
Geo. A. Caldwell, Esq.,
Pr. Bk. America.

Mint of the U. S.

Ph. Oct. 3, 1836.

Dear Sir,

We have no public deposits at the Mint, and can furnish small silver for drafts, only by the courtesy of the Banks that have large deposits with; nor do we ever do it except for small amounts. At present it is not in our power to use even this privilege, the demands upon us having been so great. You may probably be accommodated by an application to the Bank of America, the Girard Bank, or the Bank of the United States.

Your remarks with regard to the establishment of a seigniorage on small coins, with a limit of the tender, are perfectly just; and a law to this effect was reported,

at the last session, at my instance,
by the Committee of May, and
I have no doubt it
will be acted upon early in the
approaching session.

Yours
R. M. P.

W. A. B. Johnson, Esq.
~~Dr. Br. Bk.~~
Dr. Ontario Br. Bk.
Utica, N. Y.

Went to — — —
Ph — — —, Oct. 2, — 36.

Just — — —
The Chief Commissioner is being prevented
I cannot consult him, but I am under
the impression that nearly all, if not all
my order for planchets, sent to you on the 15th
of June, and undertaken by you on the 15th
of July, is completed, although I fear you
to hasten forward with the work, with all the
speed that you can command. — The
demand for cents has exhausted nearly all
our supply of planchets. Let me know
whether you could furnish us with them
as rapidly as at present; for, if you
can, I should be disposed to double my
order, and decline taking any more from
England. You may perhaps for a few
days order as soon as you have completed
the present.

Yours
P. M. F.
L.

J. Allen Crocker, Brother & Co.

Bank of America Oct 1. 1836

Dear Sir I have your favor of the 30th 20th enclosing a Certificate for Silver deposited by this Bank on the 14th Sept., and as it would appear that there must be some error in regard to the amount, I have respectfully to request that you will make the necessary examination & point out the Cause of the apparent deficiency - We sent 83 Keys of Silver amounting to \$200845⁰⁰ 25, and your Treasury Certificate is for only \$204591⁰⁰ 40 being short of the amt deposited \$2253⁰⁰ 85 - It is probable therefore that the Contents of one Key has been omitted and not included in the amount of the Memorandum and Certificate - 12 Keys contained Mexican Dollars amounting to \$204,000, and one Key contained a Variety of Silver Coins amounting to \$2845⁰⁰ 25

You will be pleased to advise me by an

and send of the result of your examination
London as we shall hear from you
that the Coin for the Cent. piece of \$204,304.97
is ready for delivery and will send for it
and the Gold Coin that may then also be
ready, and we ^{will} send at the same time
a further supply of both Gold & Silver
for Coinage.

I am very truly & respectfully

Yours
Geo. Newbold Pugh

Robert Patterson Esq

Director U.S. Mint

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Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Oct. 1, 1876.

Dear Sir,

Your requiring two thirds of
the value of your gold in quarter
eagles causes a very serious delay
in the coinage, and I think it
right to ask you again, whether
you continue willing to submit to
this delay rather than to change
the proportion. The labor of coin-
ing ^{and the time required to effect it} ~~is increased~~ in the same ratio as the
number of pieces. Your requiring $\frac{2}{3}$ of
of quarter eagles increases our labor
in the ratio of 5 to 2; and if our
half the value were required, the work
would be reduced to 3 to 2; and if
you would be contented with an
equal number of each kind, to

4 to 3; or we could give you
your returns in half the time
agreed at present.

Now \$30 in value will give

5 pieces if all half eagles,

8 " equal number of halves and quarters,

9 " equal values " "

10 " $\frac{1}{2}$ d value in halves and $\frac{2}{3}$ ds in quarters

12 " all quarters.

Are you willing to consent to the
second case, of an equal number of
each sort, or even to the third of
equal values of each?

Yours

R. M. P.
Dr

J. Geo. Hubbard, Esq.,
Pres. Bank Americ.

SECRET.—We are informed that of the identical gold coins of France, the Bank of America has seven hundred thousand dollars yet lying at the mint in bullion. It has also four hundred thousand dollars in silver at the mint, awaiting the process of coining.
—Continued—

Treasury Department
Oct 31st 1856

Sir

I send you the enclosed cut from a late number of the New York Commercial Advertiser, & beg leave to remark, in reference to it, that, from the increased demand for specie, it is very desirable that this billon should be coined with as great dispatch as practicable.

I am, Sir, with much
respect yr obt. St.

Sam^l Woodbury
Secy. of T^{reasury}.

To

R. W. Patterson Esq
Phila.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 1, 1836.

Sir,

As the coinage of the indemnity money will soon be completed, and the steam coinage for silver and the new arrangements for melting will be in operation in the course of a very few days, I think that the time has arrived when provision should be made, under the clause of the late deposit law relating to this subject, for supplying the Mint with bullion to keep it in full activity. — I have accordingly had interviews with the officers of the Girard Bank of this City, and the Bank of America, at New York, and have engaged them to procure a supply of gold and silver bull-

him, or foreign Coins, for the ~~mint~~^{mint},
with an understanding that, ~~they~~^{the} ~~shall~~
shall be purchased of them, by us,
~~when~~ ~~we~~, at cost and mass any
charges, except for the agency of
the ~~Bank~~ which is to be ~~applied~~ ~~with-~~
out charge.

For the manner in which I propose
that the agency for the purchase of
gold and silver shall be executed
at the mint, I refer you to my
communication of the 24th of Aug-
ust; making, however, in the plan
there ~~afford~~ exhibited, such altera-
tions as are required, in order to
comply with the instructions, since
received from your Department, that
the ~~Treasurer~~ of the mint the keeper
of the public deposits be with the
Treasurer of the mint, and not with
the Director. The Director will
still be the Agent for the purchase

of Bullion, but he will pay by ~~treas-~~
ure notes on the Treasury, instead of Checks
on the Bank.

I still think, as I have stated
in the letter just referred to, that,
to effect the object of the Bullion
agency, the amount ^{of the public funds} deposited with
the mint should not be less than
two millions of dollars. ~~This will~~
~~be not exceed two months' worth~~
The Coinage of bullion to this amount,
will not exceed two months' worth
at the mint; and, when we shall have
this sum in advance, in American Coins,
the delay in making our returns to
Depositors will entirely cease.

In conformity with these views
I send the ~~so~~ enclosed agents for
transfer drafts, in favor of the Treas-
urer of the mint, to the amount of
two millions of Dollars.

As the Banks that undertake
the Agency of procuring bullion for

the Bank will ask no direct com-
pensation for this service, it seems
just that they should have the
benefit of the Bank deposits while
unexpended; and it is accordingly pro-
posed that the sum now asked for
be placed, in equal amounts, in these
two Banks.

Yours

Yours

P. M. Patterson,

Director.

Wm. Lewis Woodbury
Sec. of Treasury.

Winst of the N S
Nov. 1, 1836.

Dear Sir,

I have been astonished to find
that the bag of Cents promised to you
in my letter of the 30th Sept. had
not been forwarded, according to my
instructions. — We have now no bag
of \$120 on hand; but, as I cannot
think of subjecting you to further delay,
we send you a bag of \$140, on receipt
which you will please to send me a
draft for the balance \$20.

Very res

Yr
T. M. P.

P.S. The report about the
fabrication of small coins of base silver is either
entirely false.

Wm Page Esq.

Cath. Bank of
Rutland Vt.

(Cont. Back of Envelope)
St. Charles, Mo.

Dear Sir, I have this day recd the
\$200 in answer to the amount mentioned in
your favor of the 25th inst.

Yours Truly
A. M. Patterson Esq
Director

Very Respectfully

J. M. Smith
St. Louis

See Nov. 8, '36.

Min't of the United States,
Philadelphia, Nov. 9, '36.

Sir,
In compliance with the ^{made} ~~instan-~~
taneous request, in your letter of the
11th ult., I send you enclosed a
Statement of the gold and silver
coinages at the mint, for the two
months which have elapsed of the
present year. You will see that the
amount ^{already} exceeds, by nearly more than
a million, that of any former year,
and a great increase may be coun-
ted upon in the two months which
remain.

I have also the honor to send you
the usual report of gold coinages,
for the month which has just closed.

With great respect
Your faithful servant
R. M. T.

Director

To Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

Statement of the Deposits and Coinage of Gold
at the Mint of the United States, in the month of October
1836. —

Balance remaining uncoined, Sept. 30th — \$1,016,185 —

Deposits for Coinage

Bullion of the United States — \$29,850

Foreign Bullion — 3,310

U. S. Coins of former Mintage, new

Foreign Coins — 57,680

90,840 —

1,107,025 —

Amount of Gold Coinage within the }
month of October, including \$96,305 in quantity, 576,240 —

Balance remaining uncoined October 31 \$530,785

Mint of the United States
October 31st 1836

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Nov. 7, 1836.

Gentlemen,

In a memorial which I
had the honor of presenting to the
City Councils on the 24th ult., and
~~about~~ the subject of which they have
referred to you, I asked for liberty
to substitute for the iron pipes allowed
by the Ordinance of June 10th 1830, to
be laid from the Mint building to
the Common Sewer in High Street, "a
small brick culvert." It was our
desire, as has been stated to you, to
have this culvert of two feet diam-
eter, but as I am told that this
is contrary to the established regula-
tions, I now write to you for the
purpose of stating my perfect wil-
lingness to conform in all respects

to these regulations. The necessity
of an immediate attention to
the drainage of the street has
been shown to your Committee,
and you may be assured that
we are much gratified
by the promptness with which you
have shown yourselves disposed to
act in this matter.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant

P. M. Patterson,

Director.

To
The Committee on Highways
of the City Council.

Dr. Patterson

W. L. Mint

Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

You would confer a great obligation
on me by sending the certificate at your earliest
convenience per private opportunity.

Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servt.

James S. King

39. Peck Slip

N.Y.

New York Nov 6 1836

Philad. Oct 20th 1858

Dear Sir

The indisposition of several of
our Clerks for some days past has prevented
our sending for the Coin at the allent -
we shall however send on Monday
next, and as our Messenger will be instructed
to return on Tuesday, you will have the
goodness to direct the Coin that may be
ready for our account to be put up, so that
he can receive it early on Tuesday Morning.

Hoping soon to hear from you on the
Subject of our late Correspondence

Remain with great Respect

Yours Obd^t

Geo. W. B. C. C. C.

Wm. Patterson Esq

Director of allent

Philad.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Nov. 5, 1836.

A statement being requested of me,
by Capt. Jonas T. Levy, as to certain
pieces of Plata Pina deposited at
the Mint, and in which he was inter-
ested, I hereby certify to the following facts.

On the 23d of June last, the
First Bank made a deposit of
Plata Pina, of which the Mint Mem-
orandum, marked No. 1, an endor-
sed by me, is enclosed. From this
memorandum it appears that the loss
by melting was excessive, being nearly
11 per cent.

On the 28th of July, Capt. Levy called
at the Mint, and stated that this bill
had been reported by him; and,
on the following day, a letter was re-
ceived from Messrs. R. & J. Phillips, en-
closing a copy of the invoice of the

Plata Pina, and asking an inquiry to be made at the Mint, as to the extraordinary loss which it underwent in melting.

An examination of the clusters was made by me accordingly, and their evidence, on the occasion, is sent herewith, marked No. 2. — It was such as to convince me that the loss on this silver, which was unprecedented at the Mint, was entirely owing to its bad quality, and particularly to the mercury and other impurities which it contained.

On the 18th of October last, Capt. Levy brought to the Mint, on deposit, two pounds of Plata Pina. The first of the said by him to be from the same place and of the same quality as that deposited on the 27d of June; the second was in beautiful white loaves, remarkable for their lightness.

Capt. Levy considered that the result of the melting of these pounds would test the carefulness and skill of the men, and show whether the great loss, of which he complained on the former occasion, was to be imputed to them, or to the bad quality of the amalgam itself. To be perfectly satisfied, he attended at all the weighings, and was present during the whole operation of melting, casting, &c., — every facility being given to him.

The results are given in the Mint Memorandum, No. 3 and No. 4; — from which it appears that the loss on the first pound was even greater than on the former occasion, amounting to nearly $11\frac{3}{4}$ per cent.; while on the loaves, the loss was less than $1\frac{1}{4}$ per cent.

R. M. Patterson,
Director

Rev. Patterson Esq

Bank of Lyons
Nov. 4. 1836

Dear Sir

I send you my Draft
on Albany City Bank Oct 26th for One Hundred
Dollars, requesting you to remit me the amount in
Dollars - As the Navigation of the Canal will soon
be closed, I am anxious to have them sent
without delay, if not already forwarded - Will
you please acknowledge the rec^t. of my Draft
and inform me if the Dents are forwarded.

Respectfully Yours

J. B. Bigelow
Cashier

Treasury Department.

Nov. 5th. 1856.

Sir,

Your favour of the 1st inst. has been received, and I have submitted it to the President who ^{under the late act} has charge of the subject of it. He thinks that under the construction given by the Attorney General ~~to the~~, and under the provisions in the Banks created by the new deposit act, that not so large a sum can now be spared to the Mint, as might under other circumstances, be done. But until Congress meet and are able to change the law as to that point, he is anxious to keep you well supplied, and beside the \$200,000, now on hand, is willing to ^{direct the} transfer as much more for that purpose as the two Banks where you propose to deposit it, can themselves now conveniently spare for that purpose, ~~and~~ of the public money they now have on hand.

In the present state of the ^{other} money market it could not be taken from the Banks without much complaint and embarrassment. In that event, ^{of the two banks parting with it} the future transfers ordered from them for other purposes would, to the extent—

transferred for this to be forwarded until the
money was received and capable of being
used. I shall write to both those banks
to-day to learn how much they can spare
and will upon receiving their replies make
the proper transfers

I am, Sir, Very Respectfully
your Obedient Servant

Samuel Woodbury

Secretary of J. D. Reading

To Mr. Patterson care

Mass

Phila

Treasury Department
November 4th 1886

Sir,

Your letter of the 2nd inst is received.
In relation to the second part of it, I authorize you
to deposit in one of the deposit banks, to the credit of the
Treasurer of the Mint, the two hundred thousand dollars
transferred to you for the purchase of bullion by Warrant
No. 1522, on the Manhattan Bank on the 8th August last.

I am, Sir, respectfully,
your ob. st.

R M Patterson Esq,
Director
Mint

Levi Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury

Transferred, accordingly, to Wm. Lindley,
Treasurer of the Mint, Nov. 11, 1886.

Mint of the U. S.
Ph. Nov. 4, 1896.

Dear Sir,

Your Balance was received
at the Mint the day before yester-
day, and we found very satis-
factory.

I send you enclosed a Bill
of exchange for £ 60 St., on ac-
count of the work ordered of you.
Please to acknowledge the receipt, as
soon as it comes to hand.

We are looking for you here,
with great anxiety, and I hope
that you will not permit any thing
short of absolute necessity to delay
your intention in this respect. There
are many things on which we wish

to employ you at the Mint,
of which the most important, perhaps,
is the making of large Balances.
You will thus be fairly introduc-
ed into the establishment, and
I hope that, in the end, you will
be permanently attached to it.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant,

R. M. Patterson

[Signature]

W. Joseph Saxton, Esq.
London.

Treasury Department
November 4th 1856

Sir,

I have this day authorized and directed the Director of the Mint to deposit to your credit in one of the deposit banks, the sum of two hundred thousand dollars transferred to him by draft No. 1522, on the Manhattan Bank, in August last, for the purchase of Bullion, to be disbursed by you on the warrant of the Director, as directed by the Act of 1792 & as recommended by the ^{U.S.} Treasurer's late report.

I am, Sir, with much respect,
your obedient servant

To
Wm Findlay Esq
Treasurer
U. S. Mint

Samuel Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 2d 1836.

Sir,

I have respectfully to request that
you will ^{take the necessary measures, to procure} ~~address your warrant for~~
^{the public money} ~~as the transfer of funds, to the amount~~
of ^{One Million Eight Hundred Thousand} ~~One Million~~ Dollars, to
be deposited with the Treasurer of
the Mint, for the purpose of supply-
ing Metal for Coinage, under the
provision in Section 12 of the Law
regulating the deposits of public
moneys, passed at the last session
of Congress.

Of this sum, I ask that ~~two hun-~~
~~dred thousand dollars, now in my~~
^{place} ~~hands, under the above Law,~~

I also ask that authority be given
to me, to transfer, to the Treasurer
of the Mint, for the same object,
two hundred thousand dollars,

transferred to
~~deposited~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{same}, for the purpose
cheque of bullion, by ~~transfer~~ draft No.
1522, on the Manhattan Bank, on
the 8th of August last.

Yours

Yr

P. M. Patterson

Director.

W.
Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Aug. 2, '36.

Sir,
I have just received your letter of
the 31st ult., with the ^{enclosed} paragraph from
the New York Commercial Advertiser.

You will see, from the official State-
ments sent to you today, that the
whole amount of gold, ^{at the mint} ~~in circulation~~, at the
close of the month, was but \$530,785.
Of this amount all, ^{except about} ~~but~~ two mils, is
out of the mint in the hands of the Coiner,
either in notes, strips, or planchets, and
the whole will be paid off in the course
of the present month.

Of the \$400,000 dollars mentioned
as being in the Bank of America,
\$200,000 were deposited with us but two
weeks ago.

I presume that the wants of the Bank
cannot be very pressing, as I wrote to Mr.
Schuylkill, on the 27th ult., that \$219,125.68
was at the mint ready for him, and ~~that~~
as it has not yet been sent for.

Yours truly,
Wm. M. P. De

New York Nov 2 1836.

Sir, Having been requested by the State Bank
of Indiana to procure \$1000. or a less sum
in Mint change. I beg you to communi-
cate to Mr Cady whether it can be obtained.

If it can be had I will call, on the
afternoon of the 3^d or the Morning of the
4th at such time as shall suit you with
the money to pay for the change expenses
&c

I have the honor to be

Your Obedt Servt

S. Merrill

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 8, 1896.

Sir,

The Clerk who made out the Statement, forwarded to you on the ~~24th~~ ^{2d inst.} of the Coinage of Gold and Silver at the Mint, for the first ten months of the year, has just discovered a very serious mistake in that the amount of gold coinage. It happened in consequence of a statement of ~~the~~ ^{by the} Chief Coiner, of dollars worth of gold coins, being mistaken for pieces of gold coin. I hasten to send you the corrected report.

Very respectfully,

Gold \$ 3,619,460
Silver 2,877,000
\$ 6,496,460

Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director

Hon. Lewis Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

Half Dollar 412,000
Quarter Dollar 880,000
Dimes 1,540,000
Half Dimes 8,050,000
Whole and foreign 9,440,000
Total 9,440,000
Dollars 9,440,000
Mint of the U.S.
October 31, 1896
Corrected Nov. 8, '96.

*Statement of the Coinage of Gold and Silver
at the Mint of the United States from January 1st to
October 31st 1836*

<i>Gold Coinage</i>	<i>Pieces of each Denomination</i>	<i>Aggregate of Pieces</i>	<i>Value of each Denom.</i>	<i>Aggregate of Value</i>
<i>Half Eagles</i>	<i>880,318</i>		<i>4,401,590</i>	
	<i>496,370</i>		<i>2,481,850</i>	
<i>Quarter Eagles</i>	<i>512,818</i>		<i>1,282,045</i>	
	<i>455,096</i>	<i>1,390,106</i>	<i>1,137,590</i>	<i>5,683,635</i>
		<i>931,406</i>		<i>3,619,440</i>
<i>Silver Coinage</i>				
<i>Half Dollars</i>	<i>5,218,000</i>		<i>2,609,000</i>	
<i>Quarter Dollars</i>	<i>1,112,000</i>		<i>1,030,000</i>	
<i>Dimes</i>	<i>880,000</i>		<i>88,000</i>	
<i>Half Dimes</i>	<i>1,540,000</i>		<i>77,000</i>	
		<i>8,050,000</i>		<i>2,877,000</i>
<i>Whole amt. of coinage</i>	<i>Pieces 9,443,186</i>		<i>Dollrs 8,560,635</i>	
		<i>9,301,406</i>		<i>4,496,440</i>

*Mint of the United States
October 31st 1836*

Coinet at Nov. 8, '36.

ms. A. 12. 12. 1836

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director W. S. Smith
Phil.

Op.

You will find Mr. Lams
Hope - an Engineer one of the most thorough
you have ever met with. I have known him
for some years & have found all machinery
put up by him give full satisfaction to the purchaser.
His deportment is most respectable & I have full
confidence in his integrity.

Yours Truly

W. T. Tumbler

Handwritten notes in the top left corner, including "1000" and "1000".

Comwith Bank

Boston, 12 Nov 1836.

Dr. M. Patterson Esq.

Sir,
We wrote you on 30 July last
for a few keys of Cents.

Referring to that letter, will you
oblige us by sending five keys per first
opportunity. The Cashier of the Girard
Bank will forward them & pay the expence.

Yours respy
G. Flood Cash
per Albert L. Fitch D.C.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Nov. 11, '36.

Sir,

I have had some communicating
with Mr. James Hope, of New-
Orleans, on the subject of an en-
gagement for work at the Branch
Mint at that city; and he refers
me to your Honor for his ~~character~~
~~as a Mechanic~~ and personal and
professional character. May I
take the liberty, then, of asking in-
formation from you as to this subject.

Yours

Y

P. M. P.

De

Y

Respectfully
Yours

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 15, '96.

Dear Sir,

Our orders for cents are at present so heavy, that there may be a delay of two or three weeks in supplying you; but we will procure, as soon as practicable, to any bank in Richmond that you may name, a key of say \$120, for that sum in any form in which it will be received on deposit at the Girard Bank.

Very respectfully

Yours truly

A. M. Patterson,
Director.

Wm. H. Meriwether, Esq.

Dear Sir

Peters Nov 12th 1836

Having a demand for a great many
cents to make change at my toll bridge I
have heretofore obtained them of the Bank of
The United States in Richmond, since that
office was ^{closed} I have endeavored to get
them of the Bank of Virginia, but failed
entirely. Will you be so good as to inform
me ~~how~~ how I can get a key of them from the
mint, and if not too inconvenient send them
as soon as practicable to the bank, or some
agent to whom I may pay the money, or
if you will send them directly to me, I
will pay the amount to your individual
agent here, or have it paid to you in
Philadelphia

Very Respectfully yours &c

W^m H. Meriwether

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 11, '36.

Dear Sir,

After fully considering your letter of the 9th, and consulting with the Treasurer of the Mint, I see no objection to our acceding to the proposition there made, which we accordingly do. — You will understand that this agreement does not extend to the depositing of the coins when made, — a matter which must be a subject of future arrangement, in which, of course, the views of the Treasury Department must be taken.

The coins promised to you in my last letter are ready for delivery, and I hope that we may see you this

larger, in good times, on Monday
morning.

We are now coining half dollars
with our steam press, - and, although
they are not of the new design,
we have taken this opportunity of
greatly improving the old one.
We will send you specimens on
Monday.

Why, my dear Sir, am I an-
noyed by complaints in the News-
papers, when you know that I
am using every effort to give
efficiency to this establishment?
The Secretary sent me, some days
ago, a paragraph from the Commer-
cial Advertiser to this effect: "we
are informed that of the identical
gold received from France, the Bank
of America has seven hundred thou-
sand dollars yet lying at the Mint

in bullion. It has also four hundred
and thousand dollars in silver at
the Mint awaiting the process of
coining."

Now it happened that we had
but half a million of gold bullion
at the Mint altogether, and that two
of the four hundred thousand spoken
of had been received here but a
few days before.

Very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
P. W. Patterson,
Director.

To
Geo. A. Arnold, Esq.
Pr. W. American.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 11th, 1876.

The Bank of America, (New York,) will
please to transfer to the Credit of William
Findley, Treasurer of the Mint of the United
States, Two Hundred Thousand and
Dollars, now standing in my name, and
transferred to me, for the purchase of
bullion, by draft No. 1522, on the Manhat-
tan Bank, on the 8th of August last.

\$200,000.

P. M. F.

Director.

Phila Nov-11-1836
Sir I hereby offer you my proposal
for building a culvert authorized
by the city Council to run from
the Mint to High street
The terms which I propose are
for digging - bricks - mortar } \$3.25
& workmanship per foot }
Mr Robt H Patterson

Wm Hance
Bricklayer
N 84 North 3d st

Treasury Department

Nov 10th 1836

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst with the ten half dollars accompanying, sent with the new machinery.

I herewith enclose a check on the Girard Bank for \$5 - being the amount.

I am Sir

very respectfully

Your obed^t Serv^t

Sam^l Woodbury

Secretary of the Treasury

C. M. Patterson Esq^r
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Bank of America Nov 9. 1850

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 8.th
and I very much regret the present office
of the Bullion affair - I think however
that I shall make one more effort
to endeavor to effect the desired object
for at least part of the Contemplative
amount - with that View permit me
to ask, whether if I should be furnished with
the Secy. of the Treasury and endeavor him to
furnish you with a draft on this Bank
for \$500,000 or the million of Dollars, I
may rely upon your placing the whole sum
to the credit of your account in this Bank
to be employed by us in procuring Bullion for
the Mint - You will readily perceive that
my object in making this enquiry is ^{to} guard
against the possibility of becoming embroiled

to the Sand Bank by means of a description
of the deposit between that Bank & this -
If it shall comport with your Views
to give this Bank the whole deposit, the
draft being on us, I will address the
Secretary on the subject immediately after
I shall have the pleasure to hear from
you to that effect

With much respect

Yours Obedt. Servt.

Geo. Newbree Thos

Richd Patterson Esq

Doncaster W York

Phelaea

presented for gold
of the
March 3
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Treasury Department
New York 8th 1836

Sir,

Please inform the Department if
there has been any copper coined this year, and if so,
what amount?

I am, Sir, respectfully
your obedient servant

Saml. Wendell

Secretary of the Treasury

To,

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Mint
Phila.

Statements,
preparatory to the Directors Estimate for the Mint, for 1837.

A.

View of the Ordinary Accounts of 1836.
December 1. 1836.

Assets:

Amt. of appropriations for this year —	\$ 100,000
Unexpended balances of last year	28,100
Auction Sale of Sundries at Old Mint, say	500
Items of deduction, or credits of Profit & Loss, } estimated to accrue in the 4 th quarter see C. }	1100
	\$ 135,700

Per Contra:

Amt. of Bills of all kinds, paid to this date, \$64,800.	
Balance of Profit and Loss, Sept 30 —	47,300.
Wastage see D.	14,000
Silver used in the assay of Gold, for which the Melters & Refiners will ask Credit, beyond } his Wastage — at this date, \$2795 — say }	2,900.
Amt. of Officers Salaries, and wages of labourers, } which will fall due by December 31 st — }	7,900.
Amt. of other Ordinary Expt. estimated to accrue within the mo th of Nov. & Decr. supposing that } \$3000 will be sufficient for Melt. castings, and } work upon the Steam Coining presses, and all } other expenses for new machinery & alterations &c. }	5,500
	142,400
Estimated deficit for 1836 see E.	6,700
	\$ 135,700

Statement B.

Estimate for 1857, based upon the expenses of the past year, but leaving out of view such sums as may be needed for additional machinery & extensive alterations.

Salaries of Officers, as at present	\$13,900
Wages of Laborers, (at present \$2200 per month, say next year \$2000)	24,000
Wastage, supposing the Coinage to be the same as this year see D.	14,500
Other items, to be appraised at hereafter, for materials in the different shops, fuel, stationary, water-rent, taxes &c. &c.	14,900
Amount deficient in 1856, as estimated see A	6,700
	\$74,000

13,900	24,000
14,500	14,900
6,700	
74,000	
20	
94,000	
94,000	

Statement C.

The amount deducted from Certificates of Gold & Silver from Jan 1 to Sept. 30, was \$3132. But during a part of this time, the practice of charging for ^{refining} alloy of gold was discontinued; if this were restored, and the rate of all charges were so adjusted as to throw the actual expenses of alloy, refining, and packing upon the depositors, it may be supposed that this source of gain, or rather of set-off to wastage, would be \$5000 annually - the coinage being the same.

Statement D.

Wastage.

From Jan 1 to Nov. 7, the Meltor & Refiner has been credited by Gold Ingots, to the value of over and above the amt. of Clippings returned to him, by \$3,959,000. His deficit is found not to exceed - - - \$3850, or less than one millieme.

The Silver wastage cannot be ascertained at present, but it is assessed in the foregoing estimates, at ^{about} the same rate. The Chief Coiner's wastage being rateable at present, is easily calculated, upon the basis of his former settlement.

The Coinage for of Gold, for ten mo. is \$3,619,440
do. of Silver do. - - - 2,877,000

There is supposed to remain, in the Mint, more than half a million of each kind of bullion; and as there are yet two months to work in, it is supposed the whole coinage may be

of Gold, - - - - -	4,500,000
of Silver - - - - -	3,500,000
	8,000,000

It is upon the basis of that amount of Coinage, that the foregoing estimates of Wastage have been calculated. But, for 1857, I have set down only \$14,500 for wastage; this is after deducting the probable credits of Profit & Loss, viz. \$4400 - the gross amt. of wastage, upon the foregoing assumptions, being \$18,900, or 2.4 millimes, nearly, upon the whole coinage, for both

affairs. Also it will be noticed that Statement A charges but \$14,000 to account for wastage in 1836; this is because the Chief Cinner was credited in June last, with \$4,900 for wastage in the first half year; which we increase the other to \$18,900.

Statement B.

Extra Expenses.

Those payments which were in account of extra improvements & extensive alterations, from Jan'y 1 to Oct. 31, amounted to about - - - \$20,500.

Add to this, an estimate of extra expense yet to accrue within 1836, as per Statement A } 3,000.

Also, the silver alloy in the gold coinage, which it is believed was not contemplated at the making up of the estimate last year - - - } 2,900

The pay of labourers has been enhanced, and their number increased, so as to exceed the estimate of last November by at least \$3,000 - - - } 3,000

29,400

To meet the foregoing items, we have but one, which was that designated for the introduction of new machinery & arrangements - - - } 20,000

Leaving, as expenses not at all anticipated - 9,400

But our actual deficit is estimated to be but 1,700

2,700

So that, with the prospective view which we were able to make last November, we were not far out of the way: if ^{we} ~~had~~ ^{had been} asked for ^{23500 for} ~~new~~ ^{new} machinery, as it now seems we should have done, the estimate now has been near. These remarks, however, are admitted to have but little importance in relation to the main subject of these statements.

Nov. 8. 1836.

*An Estimate of the Expenses of the Mint
Establishment, for the year 1837.*

	<i>Solls.</i>	<i>Dolls.</i>
<i>Salaries of Officers, Assistants and Clerks.</i>		
<i>The Director</i>	<i>2000</i>	
<i>The Treasurer</i>	<i>1200</i>	
<i>The Chief Coiner</i>	<i>1500</i>	
<i>The Assayer</i>	<i>1500</i>	
<i>The Melter and Refiner</i>	<i>1500</i>	
<i>The Engraver</i>	<i>1200</i>	
<i>The Second Engraver</i>	<i>1500</i>	
<i>The Assistant Assayer</i>	<i>1000</i>	
<i>Three clerks - viz: The Treasurer's Clerk \$ 1000</i>		
<i> The Weigher & Teller 1000</i>		
<i> The Book Keeper 900</i>	<i>2900</i>	<i>14,300</i>
<i>Compensation to Laborers, in the various departments of the Mint - - - - -</i>		<i>24,000</i>
<i>Incidental & Contingent Expenses.</i>		
<i>Wastage of Gold and Silver</i>	<i>14,500</i>	
<i>For iron, steel, lead, castings, chemical agents, copper for alloy, ^{zinc,} for precipitation of silver oil,</i>		
<i>tallow, crucibles, melting pots, and sundry repairs</i>	<i>7,100</i>	
<i>For Wood & coal for Steam Engine & furnaces</i>	<i>7,000</i>	
<i>Stationary, fuel for offices, water rent & taxes</i>	<i>500</i>	
<i>Balance Expense of improvements in machinery beyond the estimate for 1836, including \$2000 for a culvert</i>	<i>8,700</i>	<i>38,100</i>
<i>For expenses incident to the introduction of new machinery & apparatus, including the application of steam power to coining - - - - -</i>		<i>20,000</i>
		<i>\$ 96,400</i>

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Nov. 14, '96.

Gentlemen, I send you herewith the statement and certificate of your deposit made on the 11th inst. by your house in N. Orleans. On this remittance the Treasurer's Clerk ^{paid a bill to} ~~advanced~~ ^{made a} payment of \$ 8.75, ^{made out against me,} charged to ~~me.~~ ^{am. Vig.} for freight from N. Orleans, \$ ship value ^{Sergeant,} \$ 8.25, - perage 50. This amount is, of course, due from you to him, and as it cannot enter into the Mint accounts, you will please to take some opportunity of discharging it.

Yours

W

P. M. Patterson

Secy

J. W. M. John & Co

Mit M L

Ph Nov. 18, '36.

Sir, The difficulty of procuring copper
platelets ~~by~~ delays in coining &
cents so that I cannot promise you
the \$300 worth for which you write,
for some time: but as soon as they
can be prepared they shall be
forwarded to you.

Yours

M

R. M. P.

I

Wm Paine Esq
Cath. Bank of Troy.

Mint ~~to~~
Ph Nov. 18, '36.

Sir,
I am surprised and mortified
to find that the Cents promised to
you in my letter of the 2d of Aug.,
have not been forwarded. — On
inquiry of the office charged with
this business, I find that he made
a distinction between orders accom-
panied by fragments, and those that
were not; and that he most im-
properly classed yours as in the
latter predicament, when, in fact,
your reference to the Girard Bank
was ~~the same~~ ^{as good} as cash in hand.

Your Cents shall be forwarded
as soon as we get a further supply
of platelets from Saunter, and
we expect them on daily.

Wm. Ch. Hood, Esq.

Wm. Ch. Hood, Esq.

Mint

Ph Nov. 18, 56.

Gentlemen,

We have received from you
six casks copper, by the Sch. Emperor,
and I understand that four more casks
more have been sent today. This
will by no means supply even our
present demands, and I have to
urge you to proceed with further
remittances for us, as rapidly as
possible. We are much pleased
with the planchets, - better than
with those lately received from
England.

Yours

R. M. P.

Secy

Yr

Wm. Crocker & Baskin

D. H. Patterson Nov 17. 1855

Dear Sir

Mr. Standford from this Bank
will have you this & 3 Gold Certificates
amounting together to \$247,400.19, the Coin
for which you will please deliver to him,
he will return by the 10th of ^{next} Friday -

In your favor of the 8th the amount
of these Certificates is stated to be \$250,400.19
being an excess of \$900.00 over the amount

If there should be more Coin ready
for us, either Gold or Silver, you will please
deliver that also & the amount thereof
shall be endorsed on the remaining Certificates

We have not rec^d. a Certificate for
our last Silver deposit, if prepared please
send it by Mr. H.

Remain very respectfully
& truly Yours
Jas Newbold Esq

Rich Patterson Esq

Director of the Bank
Philad^a

Treasury Department
Nov 17th 1836

Sir,

I send you the enclosed letter of the
President of the Bank of America for your
consideration and report upon the proposition
therein made.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
your obt. servt

Saml. Wendell
Secretary of the Treasury

Director the Mint
Phila

Lancaster Nov 17. 1836.

Rev. Patterson Esq.

Dear Sir.

We have shipped to
New York to be forwarded from thence by Canal
line, 6 ca. Blanchet.

Amonged we have sent two of the above & of
4 ca. sent 31st. little

We shall send another parcel soon

Very Resp^{ly}

Yours Obed^t Serv^t

Cracker Bros. & Co.

Oct 31.

for Sep. Olymthos. 4 ca. 392⁸ ea 1.568⁰

Nov 15 - 2.352.

3.920⁸ @ 82⁰⁵

Sir,

Treasury Department
First Auditor Office Nov. 17. 1836

Your Accounts for the Operation & Expenditures
of the Mint, for the quarter ending 30 September 1836 have
been received.

With due respect
Your Obedt Servant

J. Miller
J. Miller

To William Findlay Esq
Treasurer of the Mint of the United States
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 15, '96.

Gentlemen,
Mr. James Hope of New-
Orleans, now at New York, has been
strongly recommended to me, as a
suitable person for putting up the
machinery at the mill in New Orleans.
I have thought that, by uniting with
Messrs. Rush & Mendenhall, you might
find it advantageous to employ
one agent for doing all the work,
at that place, for which both houses are under
contract, and, from what I hear of
Mr. Hope, I should judge that
he was peculiarly well suited for
this task. He is willing to

New York March 16. 1836

R. M. Patterson Esq

Director of the United States

Mint -

By the bearer of this

Mr. Plant we send you two small pieces
of gold. which you will please have assayed
for purity and render us different statements
of same. & oblige

Yours Very Respectfully

J. K. Polk for
John C. Mitchell

Bank of Troy November 15, 1856

Mr. Wm. Patterson Esq.

Sir

We are in want of some
cents at this institution and one or
two of our neighboring Banks wish
to procure some. Could you supply
us with three keys containing one hun-
dred Dollars each immediately. The
season is so late that it is necessary
the same should be shipped very
soon else they could not come up
the River before the navigation shall
be closed. We would pay you for the
same by a draft on New York.

Upon this subject have the goodness
to let me hear from you by return of
mail.

I am respectfully
Yours humble servant
John James Cashin

R. M. Patterson Esq.

79 Hollow Garden
15th Nov^r 1836.

Sir,

On the 5th July last we had the pleasure
to have your Invoice and Bill of Lading of Melting Pots
delivered to amounting with charges to £ 158 - shipped on
board the vessel Thomas P. Leavitt and we hope you
have received them. but as we have not heard of their arri-
val are apprehensive respecting the due delivery at the
United States Mint.

We now annex Invoice of the remainder
of your esteemed order amount ^{enclosed} £ 22.7.11 and Bill
of Lading of Amelia Henry Hutchinson.

We shall be happy to hear of the safe arrival
of both parcels and request a remittance as proposed
in your letter of Jan^y 20th 1836

We are Sir

Your Obed^t Serv^t
J. M. Johnson &
W. M. Poup^t

Bank of America
Nov 4th 1836

Sir,

Having reason to believe that the measures some time since entertained for supplying the Mint with Bullion, are now considered, under existing circumstances, to be inexpedient, and regretting exceedingly that an object of so much importance to the interests of the country should not be effected, I beg leave respectfully to propose for your consideration, the following arrangement, and hope that it will be found to be suitable & acceptable free from the objections entertained against the previously proposed arrangement. If the Director of the Mint shall be furnished with a transfer draft on this Bank for one million of dollars, he has expressed his willingness and will transmit the draft to us with instructions for the use of the funds in the purchase of Bullion for the Mint, and in order to enable us to take early and the necessary measures to execute his instructions and to procure the Bullion from abroad without materially impairing our means of discount & accommodation to the Commercial Community. I respectfully suggest that the public money may be allowed to accumulate in this Bank by the regular and ordinary collections, until the increase shall equal the amount of the draft drawn.

as in favor of the mint, or if you please, so that the amount
to the credit of the Treasurer shall be made equal to the
amount that you would without the draft have been
owing or would have permitted to remain with us.

If this proposition shall meet your approbation, we
will engage to take immediate and prompt measures
to execute the trust for the mint, and I shall confidently
hope that we can effect the object in a manner satisfactory
to yourself and the Director of the mint. In that case, I think
no one can hesitate to believe but that the effects will
be salutary and useful.

You will recollect that
according to your suggestion a gold leaf, or immediately for-
warded to the mint for coinage \$200,000 in silver, and
they have now to inform you that in furtherance of the
desired object of increasing the specie circulation of the
country, this Bank has since deposited in the mint the
additional sum of \$15,000 in silver to procure coins of
the most suitable denominations for circulation.

I have the honor to remain
very respectfully, yours &c
Jas Stewart, Pres.

Mr. Levi Woodbury
San Francisco
Washington

Southampton Nov 14. 1838

Dear Sir

I have your favor of the 11th and am pleased to learn that you accede to the proposition contained in my letter of the 9th. I have addressed a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury on the subject, and will advise you of his reply immediately after I shall receive it —

Miss Howland & Miss Penrose have forwarded to the Bank under an arrangement that we have made with them, a quantity of Silver in Bars, and I had intended to have furnished their Messengers with the blank Certificates & Requesters here to receive and bring on the Gold Coins now ready for us, but he unexpectedly left here sooner than I anticipated — we will send a messenger within a day or two, perhaps to-morrow — I noticed at the time the paragraph in the Commonwealth that you attended

and I should be exceedingly sorry if you
should believe that I could authorize
that, or any other publication that would
be in any way annoying to you, for it is
very true as you state, that I have abundant
evidence of your desire and efforts to give
assistance to the sick - allow me
however to say that it did not strike
me that the object of the paragraph
was to complain of the sick -

I am very much pleased to learn
that the operation of your steam press
is so successful & efficient, the change
of help (Dollars) were now progressing very
rapidly, and I sincerely hope that we
may be successful in our efforts to keep
it in constant operation -

I shall be pleased to receive from
you by our messenger specimens of the
improved coins.

With great respect

Very truly & respectfully

Roll Patterson Esq

Director of allent

Philad

Geo W Caldwell

Will Patterson Esq. Director of the Mint
 To Cash price for a large portrait - 3000 francs
 & paid for packing 50 "
 portable expended to have 100 - "
 Total paid 3150 francs
 My dear Sir - I have now the pleasure to
 advise you that on yesterday I went to the
 Bureau of the Mint & caused it to be
 de Havillville a crate containing the four
 portrait ordered by you some time ago for the
 use of the Mint of the United States. I have
 instructed the Mint that it shall be forwarded
 to you by the Ship Erie, the Packet to sail from
 Havre to New York on 21st December and I advise
 you that promptly that you may be prepared
 to give to it the care it will require on arrival at
 New York as well as to allow the necessary
 time to cover by Insurance in case you shall
 deem it advisable the amount at risk. I do
 not wish to give you the necessity that the package
 should not be opened on arrival, but it shall
 be fairly at its ultimate destination as it has
 been packed by a professional packer under the
 immediate direction of the artist who made it
 and I feel persuaded with such care that if
 opened and re-packed great danger of injury
 will result to the instrument. With great respect
 Believe me your obedient servant Edward Fisher

...shall be done
 ...as a man for some time
 ...the safety of the public
 ...the public shall be
 ...the public shall be

My dear Doctor (Hart) 14th December 1836 It arrived at the house of Pringle his examination -
Not the slightest sound of the machine which the said certificate of Mr. Pringle will tell you about. I am glad
to hear so much of the literary of the Churchman - I will advise that the artist complains that he is
yet the long looked for apostolic benediction of the not paid for his labor - Mr. Collier it appears thinks
grace of our Lord "with which the spiritual grace" it has been made for too small a sum - at several ren-
dering youthful days, the eloquent Doctor Whitcomb it has been made for too small a sum - at several ren-
(required at in place) but must be his Church - Heavens! important improvements have been introduced not
something lost from their paternalistic stipulated for in the agreement - I am at a loss how
feel so gratified on their part of the machine - I will advise you on the subject - the artist knows
is finished - greeted me yesterday when I put the key stone he cannot claim it, after the term of 30 years, and
to the work - had a cheerful friend to our intended additional, as an indemnity for his outlay. He says
friend the "son of a portrait" - I have seen you - however it, he has lost nothing - but not given a one soul by the
Bag - and baggage - put the case containing the work - my prejudice against dealing with the people
and in most of them in the case, the bill of the artist, are so strong that I feel his qualified to judge of his
regularly accepted, then the certificate of Mr. Collier on the subject - you will judge for yourself instructing
accepting the merits of the work - then a long and a ball the further - Mr. Brent with me last evening
long from Mr. Conant's letter, you are all about it, like that he was call a over the same way for a longer
a sagacious Barn - Dams who have a fairly pretty hardy, by an artist who made some of his best work for the
runs cashing about to inform the artist would of the fact, he by an artist who made some of his best work for the
not achieved - and I do not least my of the artist, he by an artist who made some of his best work for the
the dignity of the artist - the chief of the money making of your own Indigment - the extra expense of shipping
doubtless, abounding with Equivocal Director and Have - When I shall pay them to Mr. Draper, I shall
humble servants, the artist work a box of state affairs - be able to state to you the exact balance that
the little - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
among you - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
pleasuring their leader of the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
from a defective character, used to characterize by the over to you - or else you shall decide on making
significant appreciation of "Soft Soap" - I Maxima, a parallel of further allowance to the artist, the artist is in
the town is a beautiful achievement - the artist of the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
time in speaking of the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
to perfect, it is the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
a beautiful specimen of the work of the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
by Mr. Collier himself, who with his own hands, had made the artist - I am this perturbation which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -
work which I feel content - shall remain and direct my son to hand it -

Not to be forgotten
 as a duty of the New York
 & Callaghan Esq
 Director of Health of the
 United States
 Philadelphia

...shall be done
...as a man in good King's College
...of Counsellors" and
...Modern Commentators say Commaney Cooks, and
...the B. R. O. We shall see who is right and who is wrong

Dear Sir

Wm. M. Thackeray Esq.
Sunday 20th November 1844

In reply to your Letter of the 2nd Octber, I have the
pleasure to state that an application at the
inst of said to the Institution submitted there,
on the subject of the "Vocal Index," as requested by
your Letter, the required information was promptly
afforded, as it had ever been cheerfully given by the
officer of that Institution when ever occasion had
arisen, inducing me to seek it - as there is at the
moment, no person in that Department of the
Institution, who speaks the Language of your Letter
I felt at some little Embarrassment from the
technical terms necessarily to be employed in
proposing the Question, to communicate the precise
meaning of your proposition, and the fact that I did
not feel an implicit confidence in my conceptions
of your Inquiry, did not greatly assist me in the
rendering of that paragraph of your Letter relating
to it - after various, abortive attempts to make the
officer having charge of that Department understand
in my vernacular tongue what it was I wanted
to learn, I was vainly compelled to submit to him
in French the Question of your Inquiry, which
for your edification is here subjoined, and let
me here observe for your future Government,
should any similar application be made, it

the proposition or solution of which, the terms of your fund and a new manufacture of steel in Paris money-making art are to be ruled, that you shall decide in favor of that which they had been in the French language the question proposed a habit of getting from England. they have used regard for solution. Now here you have the barbarous fund it admirable in the coinage of money, but not longer in which it was proposed, with the really spoiled old. In making it you must give the piece a good punch of the officer to whom it was submitted. I understand you require, to be a little larger than the question? Quand on se sert de la pince à bouter, le diamètre de la coin doit être un peu plus grand que celui de la pièce à bouter. The steel is then met on la planchette plate, en paille - on est shaped out to the proper size required. a clapping elle d'abord frappée (milled), c'est à dire, of iron is put around it. in this condition it is soumise à un procédé par lequel le bord de subjected to the action of fire till in the furnace of la planchette est pressée et dév. a welding heat, the steel and iron become united. andrew - La frappe de la pièce se fait au même It is then in the store for the die. the manufacture coup de balancier. c'est à dire que la tête, is in Prussia. the address of the Manufacturers - le revers et la tranche se frappent ensemble. being M^r Schmid born et compagnie, fabrique d'acier. Goffontaine pres Sarrebruck. Now an explanation of the above, the officer d'Allemagne. Now if you wish to import it inform me that the entire work of the coinage direct from the Manufactory, you must be very of the piece is effected at one seul coup. the head, precise in your order as to the dimensions of the the reverse (the wreath surrounding the denomination. It is only imported here for the use of the best in any of value of the coin) - the milling with the rollers on other case, would be chargeable with a heavy duty the edge "Dieu protège la France" technically here, or that you cannot procure it from Paris. I visited "la tranche" are all the effect of a single operation - yesterday, your four portrait - finished except a turn of the screw. I have seen the coming. the perfect Dijon. the illustrious officer told me it was planche is a simple disk on entering between the two or three small wheels, which will require 15 days died - coming out a finished coin. I thought for completion. to my unskilful eye it appeared a clean a further from the office of the illustrious, that the perfect. I'm honest - some improvements are question of a proper steel for Die is one that has remained introduced, never having before been made for any ion of late. that since I was last at the illustrious, other types a portrait. I am call it away for moment. we through the agency of their officers abroad. God bless you. Love to Aunt Helen your family. Believe me in true affectionately yours.

detached piece - but entire, put together to
article ready for use, & open it - of course
the weight is heavy - the mere turning of

it would destroy the beautiful appearance of the
book, & have done it & it is not to be done
precaution to the danger of injury to the book
which is a great deal different from the matter of
the old human it has a little in the paper & in the
the of illustration - fine work, that is to say, the
it may be actually employed in the study, & in
an advantage, but of all papers this is the most
convenient for use - & it is not to be done

San Francisco, Cal.
Director of the effort of the
United States - at
Philadelphia

required of the Artist that this shall be done to the
which he did not make the slightest objection to
pleased me, as an owner in good King Solomon said
there is "a plenty of goodly things of Counsellors" but the
Modern Commentators say "many Cooks spoil
the Broth" We shall see who is right & who is wrong

Lexington, Backbridge Co. N. H.

Feb. 20th. 1836.

Philad. would have been desirable, but was
obliged to decline, as they requested an immediate
session. Please to forward my respects to Mr.
Cutcliffe, and believe me, Dear Sir, I am, &c.

Yours W. Garrison

R. M. Patterson, M.D.

Pres. of W. S. Anti.

P.S. Should you see Mr. V. make, be so good
as to give him my respects.

New York Nov^r 20 1856

Dear Sir

I received yours of the
16 and was very happy to hear
that you had an interview with
the Gentlemen that are constructing
the Machinery, and I shall
tomorrow arrange my Business
so that I can leave here on
Sunday Morning at 10 o'clock
so as to be there on Wednesday
Morning which you can depend
on if I am well, and I shall
be very happy to go to New Orleans
provided we can make our tour
agreeable

Yours Truly
R M Patterson Esq
Director of the U S Mint

J Hope

Print of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 24, 1846.

Sir, I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 17th inst., with the accom-
panying proposition made by the President
to the Board of Education, respecting the
purchase of bibles for the school.

Mr. Arnold consulted me, on the 20th inst.,
with regard to the proposition submitted to you, &
far as I was concerned in it, I answered
him in the manner following: — "I am
entirely fully — must be taken. I am
entirely fully."

I will add that it has been for some time
by state to Mr. Arnold, that the school would
be interested in having a book, but would
purchase the bibles of him, who is perfectly
at ease and in a position to be able to
pay for the copies of the books, then
holding the position of the man who, by
considerable sufficient remuneration.

With these understandings on the terms of the
proposition, I most respectfully recommend
compliance with the proposition of Mr. Arnold.

The efforts which have been made
to enlarge the power of the school, with
soon to be fully followed by the success of the

Coins. The changes in the Mint & the
Paper Department are nearly completed,
and ~~we~~ shall this week have two steam
coining presses ^{in operation}. ~~Up to this time~~
~~the alterations have been so frequently interrupted~~
~~that they have not been actually~~
~~discontinued~~ ~~the efficiency of the establishment~~
~~must be that~~ that we have probably
not accomplished even so much as we
might have done under the old system.
~~For the coming year, we intend from~~
~~this time forward, this improvement~~
But this this measure, incommenced,
in the accompanying the introduction
of new machinery and new processes, may
be considered as now nearly completed,
and, for the future, we may ^{expect to see} ~~benefit~~
~~derive~~ the advantages of our improve-
ments in the greater efficiency which they
will give to our establishment. Con-
fidently upon this result, I
~~expect~~ that, in the course of the coming
year, we shall be able to ~~do more than~~
get upon hand with our work, and
to have a large supply of coins on
hand, with which we may purchase
the deposits brought to us as soon

as their value can be ascertained,
and thus remove the variations and
injurious delay to which our deposi-
tors are at present subjected. To
provide for this desirable state of
things, it is necessary that the govern-
ment should take measures to pro-
vide a large supply of bullion, and
the propositions which have been made
to you by the Bank of America, and
hitherto by the Girard Bank, notwithstanding
it appears to me, fulfil this object
most advantageously.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30, 1854.

Sir,

I send you herewith a transfer draft, ^{No. 1767,}
from the Treasury of the United States,
upon your Bank, for two hundred thousand
dollars, which you will please
to place ~~to the~~ on your ~~to~~ books to
the credit of Mr. Lindley E. Tins-
on of the Mint. This sum, together
with a like amount already deposited
with you, has been transferred to the
Mint for the purchase of gold and
silver, for coinage, ^{and} the direct agency
of ~~the~~ ^{this purchase} is committed to my hands. It
is my wish, accordingly, to procure Bullion
or foreign coins, of these metals, in any
proportions which may be found most
convenient, to an amount not exceeding
the sum now set apart for its purchase,
and, for this ^{object} purpose, I take advantage
of the offer which you have made to
the government, of giving the gratuitous
services of your Bank, to procure ~~the~~

gold and silver for the Mint, and I
have to say that you will take im-
mediate measures for this purpose.

When you shall succeed in obtain-
ing portions of gold and silver, under
this order, the Mint will purchase
them of you, at the cost and neces-
sary charges to you, of which you will
be expected to render a particular ac-
count.

It is proper to mention that the
sum of \$300,000 is deposited with
the Girard Bank, for the same object,
and with similar instructions; and it
is hoped that, in the transaction of this
business, the two institutions will
cooperate as to avoid all the
possibility of interference with each other.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant,

R. M. Patterson,

Director.

W. J. McComb, Esq.,
Pres. W. M. American.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 30, '36.

Sir,
I send you herewith a transfer-
draft, No. 1768, from the Treasurer of
the United States, upon your Bank, for
\$300,000, which you will please to place
on your books to the Credit of Wm.
Finckley Esq. Treasurer of the Mint. This
sum has been transferred to the Mint
for the purchase of gold and silver for
coinage, and the direct agency of this
purchase is committed to my hands.
It is my wish, accordingly, to procure
bullion or foreign coins, of these metals,
to an amount not exceeding the sum
now set apart for its purchase; and,
for this object, I take advantage of the
offer which you have made to the
government, of giving the gratuitous ser-
vices of your Bank, to procure gold
and silver for the Mint; and I have
to say that you will take immediate

measures for this purpose.

When you shall succeed in obtaining portions of gold and silver, under this order, the bank will purchase them of you, at the cost and meet any charges to you, of which you will be sure to render a particular account.

It is proper to mention that the bank, each of \$200,000, have been deposited with the Bank of America, for the same object and with similar instructions; and it is hoped that, in the transactions of this business, the two institutions will so cooperate as to avoid the possibility of interference with each other.

Very respectfully,

Your faithful servant

R. M. Patterson

Dist.

Wm. D. Lewis, Esq. &
Cash. Grand Bank.

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Nov. 30, 1836.

Sir,
I have this day received, from the
Treasurer of the United States, a trans-
fer draft from the Bank of America for
\$200,000, and one from the Girard
Bank for \$300,000, these being the
sums asked for, in my letter to you
of the 25th, as the deposits to form, with
\$200,000 heretofore transferred from the Atten-
dation Bank, the deposits with the Mint,
for the purchase of gold and silver for
coinage.

Of this whole deposit \$400,000 is
placed at the Bank of America, and
\$300,000 at the Girard Bank, to the
credit of the Treasurer of the Mint, and
I have given instructions to these Banks,
of which the following is an extract.

"This sum has been transferred - - -
[Copy as inserted in pencil on the letter to

to Mr. Lewis - leaving blanks in the
last paragraph for the seeds enclosed in
brackets. I

Mr. _____

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R. M. Patterson,
Quinton.

W. Mrs. Levi Woodbury, }
Sec. of Treasury.

Bank of Rutland
29. Nov 1836

A. M. Patterson Esq.
Quincy Mass

Dear Sir,
I have this day in the Reg of Copper
Coin marked for \$100 Had you my check on Truys & Farnum
Bank Truys at West. Bk N.Y. for Twenty Dollars as per
instruction in yr. favor of 15. 20.

I am very Respectfully

W. Page

Mint of the U.S.
Ph Nov. 28, '36.

Dear Sir,
The ^{request} application of the British
Consul at N. Y. ^{made to me through you} is a perfectly proper
one, and shall be complied with for-
thwith and promptly. I shall not even
ask that the information given be con-
sidered confidential, - as we have no in-
terests at the Mint.

May I take this occasion of mak-
ing a ~~suggestion~~ ^{request} to you, which I
pray you to believe ~~me~~ I do not ask
with any paltry view to a personal dis-
tinction, but truly because it will be of
importance to me officially at the appro-
sing Session of Congress? It is that the
Director of the Mint may be placed in
the list of those who have the privilege
of the lobby of the Senate.

I am with great respect,
Your faithful friend,
R. M. P.
Hon. Jas. Buchanan

P.O. New York Nov 24. 36

Dear Sir

Please send us a key of
Cutter Lobby Yrs &

Wm Patterson Esq
Phil.

J. L. Goddington
P.M.

Treasury of the United States,

Nov. 28th 1836.

Sir,

Enclosed you will receive 2 transfer Drafts, viz:
No. 1467 on the Bank of America, New York,
and payable there on Demand for D^{rs}.
200,000 and No. 1768 on Second Bank
Philadelphia, and payable there for
D^{rs}. 300,000 on Demand

which sum be pleased to place to the credit of my account, on the
Books of your Institution.

I am, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN CAMPBELL,

Treasurer U. S.

Director
To the Cashier of the Mint
At Philadelphia

Wint N 1
JH Nov. 25 - '96.

Gentlemen,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d inst.; and I am happy to see that you are proceeding so much more rapidly with our supply of Copper platelets.

I make no objection to sharing with you the additional expense of land transportation in the winter months.

As to the charge for cashes, however, I must really demur; and to show you that I cannot with propriety make you any additional allowance, I present you the account of Boulton's last invoice, - charged at the highest rate we have yet paid here.

For 11368 lbs. Avois., as paid, including all
charges, and 9^{1/2} ct. premium & exchange \$3259.46
Freight - - - - - 23.64
Portage - - - - - 6.25

Total - - 3289.40

Brig. = 28.93 cents per lb.

Your charge, with portage, is 32.06 cents per lb.; so that we should have paid you \$355.82 more than Boulton for the same quantity of platelets.

Yours, Oreskov, Bro. & Co.

R.M.P. J

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Nov. 25, '34.

Dear Sir,

I have just received a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, in which he ^{says} ~~states~~ ^{and} ~~that he is~~ willing to transfer to the Mint from three to five hundred thousand dollars more, to be deposited, if ^{you} I think proper, in the Bank of America or Girard Bank, in order to procure metal for coining on such terms as you may think most advantageous. But the Bank which is preferred must be designated by you, as the transfer must be made from that Bank, &c."

Under the terms of this letter, I have resorted to my old device of dividing the business between the two Banks, and I have accordingly asked

for a transfer of \$20,000 from
your Bank and of \$30,000 from
the Girard Bank; so that we
shall have \$40,000 to our credit
with you, and \$30,000 here.

The Secretary promises to have
the transfers made immediately, and
I hope that you and Mr. Lewis
will ~~be~~ ^{without delay} ~~be~~ ^{immediately}, and
in conjunction, make the necessary
arrangements for carrying the object
of these deposits into effect.

This is a smaller operation
than we had desired, - but it is
a commencement, and we must hope
to act upon a greater scale here-
after.

Yr. Obedt. Servt.
Geo. Newbold Esq.
Pro. Bk. Harris.

P. M. P.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 25, 1836.

Sir,

I have had the honor of receiving
your letter of the 23d inst., and I
have now respectfully to request that
you will cause two transfer warrants
to be issued, in favor of the Mint,
one from the Bank of America, for
two hundred thousand dollars, and
one from the Girard Bank, for
three hundred thousand dollars. —
Contracts will then be made by
me, with these two Banks, for purchas-
ing bullion for the coinage at the
Mint, and, for this purpose, there
will be, to our credit, \$400,000,
with the Bank of America, and
\$300,000 with the Girard Bank.

Yr. Obedt. Servant. R. M. L.

Director U. S. Mint

Office U. S. M. T. C. N. B. P. Co.
Athens Nov. 25. 1836

Sir - I have sent you by the way of
Augusta the following parcels of Gold Bullion

Bar No	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	Sub.	gr.
	J. A. Cobb				Blair & W. H. W.	Jas. Goudey	S. Jacob	C. Fepler	Gibson	677.	
										638.	
										544.	12
										724.	
										1930.	12
										705.	18
										118.	4
										102.	4
Subt										12.	
										5.452.	02

Making in all Five Thousand four hundred
and fifty two dwts, & two grains.

We have to settle with these individuals
according to the mint value. You will, therefore,
keep the weight and value of each parcel separate,
and furnish me with a statement thereof as
soon as possible after you receive it.

Deposit the proceeds to my credit, as
heretofore in the Philadelphia Bank

Very Respy
Jas. Gamble
Cash

New York 11 Mo 23. 1835 from A. L. W.
-illets Six Casks Copied Marked U. S. Mint
Philadelphia - each cask weighing 392 H
Five 15 cts }
per 100 to } 18th Street
per annum } Higham
A. L. W.

New York 11 Mo 24. 1835
Director U. S. Mint
Esteemed Friend
By the direction of our
mutual friends (proctor Brothers) of
Savannah we have shipped per the
Bout Planet six casks Blanks
per above Receipt
Respectfully thy friend
Amos & Saml. Wetters

Treasury Department
Nov. 23rd 1836

Sir,

Your letter of the 21st inst has been received.
I am willing to transfer to the Mint from three to five hundred
thousand dollars more, to be deposited, if you think proper, in the
Bank of America or Girard Bank, in order to procure metals
for coinage on such terms as you may think most advantageous.
But the Bank which is preferred must be designated by you, and
the transfer must be made from that Bank, and the contract
with the Bank must be made by you and not by this Dep-
artment. On hearing from you by return of mail the
transfer will be directed to be made immediately.

I am, Sir, very respectfully
your Obedt. Servt.

Saml Woodlief
Secretary of the Treasury

S/

A. M. Patterson Esq
Mint Phila

Laurelton 11/22/1836.

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Dear Sir.

Your esteemed favor
of the 18th inst is at hand.

We shall ship late of the week five
or six casks planchets, for Sch. Temperon.
I shall have ready weekly about same
quantity. I continue to ship them as long as
the navigation is free. It could probably
send them through the winter, via New York
provided you were willing to pay a share
of the additional expense of transportation.

The casks in which these planchets
are packed are of the first quality & cost
us about a dollar each. In future we
shall be obliged to charge them at
that price, unless they can be returned
to us in good order so that they can be
used for the same purpose again. As
they are probably worth ^{to the owner} what they cost

perhaps you may prefer to keep them & save
the trouble & expense of returning them -

Very Resp^{ly}.

Your obt^l friend

Crocker Bro^{rs} & Co

Dear Mr. Pittman
I have just received from you a bill of exchange
for 200 - 300 dols, a thousand, as you please
I am left in the bank for the cash, and
he paid at the Merchants Exchange Bank in New York
Very respectfully
J. M. Pittman
Pittman & Co
New York

Phil M. Pittman Esq
Drecker & Co

Mint of the United States,
Philad^a Decem^r 31. 1836.

Sir,

The French Crowns referred to in
your letter of 16th inst. were received here on the 29th
and have this day been assayed. Their Mint value is
\$ 2172. 41

Conformably to the plan suggested by the Director
in his letter to you of 19th inst. a Mint Certificate
for the above deposits has been issued to the Girard
Bank; for which that Institution has engaged to forward
to you a draft on Boston. I trust that draft will be on
the most favorable terms, as the Cashier of the Girard
Bank has been informed of the desire of this Institution
to co-operate with the Frontier Banks in removing
the French Crowns from circulation, which object will
be advanced ⁱⁿ proportion as the returns are advantageous.
The Director of the Mint is now at Washington.

I remain most respectfully
your obed^t servant

Ph. Marett Esq. ()
Cust^r New England Bank

for W. M. Patterson
Director

Wm. C. Dickson

Grand Bank

Dec 31. 1836

Dear Sir,

It will afford me
pleasure to carry out the
arrangement you propose
in regard to the French money
forwarded by the President of
the New England Bank as per
his letter which I herewith return

Yours respectfully

W. D. Lewis Esq.

Richd Patterson Esq.

Director of the Bank

A.
Statement of the Coinage for 1856, at the
Mint of the United States.

Denominations.	Pieces.	Value.	Pieces.	Value.	
		Dolls.		Dolls.	
<u>Gold:</u>					
Half Eagles	553,147	2,765,735			1635
Quarter Eagles	<u>547,986</u>	<u>1,369,965</u>	1,101,133	4,135,700	2,104,175
<u>Silver:</u>					
Dollars	10,000	10,000			
Half Dollars	6,546,200	3,273,100			
Quarter Dollars	472,000	118,000			
Dimes	1,190,000	119,000			
Half Dimes	<u>1,900,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	10,108,600	3,605,500	3,443,000
<u>Copper:</u>					
			10,114,600	3,606,100	
			10,109,200		
Cents	2,111,000	21,110			
Half Cents	<u>398,000</u>	<u>1,990</u>	2,507,000	23,100	39,400
					5,468,600
			13,718,733	7,764,300	
			13,719,333	7,764,900	15,996,200

Remarks

The amount of gold remaining in the Mint uncoined, is \$18,306 ^{part} of which was deposited earlier than Nov 25.

The amount of silver remaining uncoined, is \$306,315 ~~none~~ of no part of which was deposited earlier than Nov 18.

The coinage is greater than that of any year since the establishment of the Mint, as well in the aggregate of Gold and of Silver, as in the aggregate of the whole. But the Copper coinage falls much below that of last year, and scarcely exceeds the average of the preceding years.

The coinage of Quarter Eagles, in the past year, was 547,956 pieces. The coinage of the same, in all previous years, was 309,034 pieces.

The small silver coinage in the past year, was much less than that of the past year (~~less than that of the past year~~) but not greater than that of any preceding year.

B. - Gold Deposits at the Mint in 1856.
Statement for the Annual Reports for 1856.

The deposits of Gold ^{by coinage} Bullion amount to \$4,084,000

Of which was received from the United States: viz.

Virginia	\$62,000
North Carolina	148,100
South Carolina	55,200
Georgia	201,400
Tennessee	300
	<u>\$467,000</u>

Coins of the United States, of old stock . . . 5,000

Coins & Bullion from England . . . 230,000

Do. Do. from France . . . 3,160,000

Do. Do. other European States . . . 75,400

Do. Do. Mexico & S. America . . . 124,700

Do. Do. Africa 8700

Smelted base gold 13,200

4,084,000

C.
Statement of the Annual Amounts of Deposits
of Gold for Coinage from the mines of the United States.

	Virginia	N. Carolina	S. Carolina	Georgia	Tennessee	Alabama	Not ascertained	Total.
1824 . . .		5,000						5,000
1825 . . .		17,000						17,000
1826 . . .		20,000						20,000
1827 . . .		21,000						21,000
1828 . . .		46,000						46,000
1829 . . .	2,500	134,000	3,500					140,000
1830 . . .	24,000	204,000	26,000	212,000				466,000
1831 . . .	26,000	294,000	22,000	176,000	1,000	1,000		520,000
1832 . . .	34,000	458,000	45,000	140,000	1,000			678,000
1833 . . .	104,000	475,000	66,000	216,000	7,000			868,000
1834 . . .	82,000	350,000	38,000	415,000	3,000			898,000
1835 . . .	60,400	263,500	42,400	319,900	100		12,200	695,500
1836 . . .	62,000	148,100	55,200	201,400	500			467,000
	374,900	2,465,600	298,100	1,680,300	12,400	10,000	12,200	4,844,500
1837 . . .	50,000	116,000	29,400	13,100				208,500
	424,900	2,581,600	327,500	1,693,400				5,126,500

Statement of the deposits and coinage of
Gold at the Mint of the United States, in the month
of December, 1856.

Balance remaining uncoined, November 30. \$ 139,425

Deposits for Coinage

Bullion of the United States \$ 8865.

Foreign Bullion 8570.

Foreign Coins 4090.

19,525

158,950

Amount of Gold Coinage within the
month of December, 1856, }

129,545

Balance remaining uncoined, Decr 31.
including the Balance of Profit & Loss account,
or wastage of Gold, not yet precisely ascertained, but
to be allowed for & adjusted in the next monthly report }

29,405

Mint of the United States.

December 31, 1856

for W. M. Patterson

Director

Wm. E. DuBois.

Mint of the United States
Decr 31. 1834.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is the Mint Certificate
referred to in my note of this evening, and for which
you have kindly stated your readiness to transmit a
draft on Boston to Ph. Mallet Esq. President of the
New England Bank.

Allow me to add, that in negotiating upon
as favorable terms as possible for that officer, you will
render an essential ~~service~~ aid to this Institution, in
its endeavour to co-operate with the Mountain Banks
of Maine
in removing French Coins from circulation in that
region.

I am most respectfully
your obedient servant

Wm D Lewis Esq
Cashr First Bank.

for R M Patterson
Director

Appld. Du Port.

Bank of America Dec. 31. 1878

Dear Sir

I am favoured with Mr. Dutbois
letter of yesterday with statement of the
Coing delivered to Mr. Plecker for our account.

Mr. P. arrived last evening with the
Africa in safety - he did not however
bring with a list for the deposits of
\$100,000 in Mexican Dollars, and as the
deposits was not mentioned in Mr. Dutbois
letter, you will please advise me of it.

I remain very respectfully
Yours Obedtly
Geo. Newbold Knapp

Roll Patterson Esq

Director of Affairs

Philad.

Mint of the United States
December 31. 1836.

Dear Sir

The enclosed letters contain the particulars of a transaction which it is desirable to consummate by the agency of the Girard Bank.

The proposition of the Director, as you will perceive, is, that the Mint Certificate for this deposit be made out to the Girard Bank; for the value of which that institution will draw on Boston, conformably to the request of Mr. Maret.

Will you have the goodness to inform me by the bearer, whether this arrangement will be agreeable to you - returning also the enclosed letters which are a part of the Records of the Mint.

I am most respectfully
Your O^bd^t Servant
for the Director,

J^m B. DuBois

Mr. J. Lewis Esquire }
Cashier Girard Bk. }

Washington, Dec. 31, 1834.

Dear Sir,

I have applied today for warrants, in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint, for the following amounts.

From the appropriation for the
Incidental & Contingent Expenses of
the Mint, - - - - - \$ 33,000.

From the appropriation for the
purchase of Copper for Coinage 50,000.

The first item is the balance of our appropriation for this year, and, if not drawn, would go into the balance for distributions, - though the amount would have still remained subject to my draft, from future income. Now I am confident that we shall meet all our command to put the Mint in full effective operation this year, for I feel

any disposition not to relax in that
work. A generous expenditure for
such a purpose will be true economy
for the country; for, if we do not
show ~~what~~ that ^{we} can do the coinage
regiment of us, there will be an
attempt, and perhaps a successful one
made, to get up a Mint at New
York, and the stockholders will
make it cost a million.

As to the sum drawn for the
purchase of Copper, you will see
the necessity of this very readily.
Under the new Mint Law, we shall
have only the money arising from
the sales of Copper Coins, - under the
conditions of that act, - for the pur-
chase of platelets, and we should be
at first embarrassed to make the
necessary purchases. At present we
have ~~not~~ ample funds subject to

our draft, and I have thought it
right and necessary to take advan-
tage of them, to give us an ample
supply to begin with. I need not
add that I have not done so with-
out full explanations with the
Secretary, and a careful exami-
nation of the laws in conference
with the Appropriation Clerk, Mr.
Anthony.

Very truly yours
R. W. Patterson.

W.
J. E. Dubois, Esq.

Washington Dec. 20 1856

Sir

I write that you to inform me what
steps have been taken to carry into effect the law
of last session and arising the reward of the gold
medal granted by the Rev. Congress to Gen. James
Morgan?

Very respectfully

P. Stone

To the Director of the Mint.
Phila

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a December 30. 1836.

Dear Sir

This day was delivered to Mr. Bleeker on acct of the Bank of America, One hundred & eighty seven thousand five hundred & ninety one doll^s. forty cents in Silver (\$187,591.40) of which \$31,591.40 was the balance of Cert. No 101, and \$156,000 was on account of Cert. No 113.

Also, in gold coins, (\$33,628.33) of which \$15865.74 was the balance of Cert. No 292, & \$17762.59 was in full for Cert. No 300, 307, 308, 309, 310, 313, 314 & 328.

A considerable amount in Silver, and some deposits of gold, are expected to be in readiness for payment in a few days; as soon as our arrangements for paying them can be completed you will be informed to that effect.

The Gold Cert. No 285 was unhappily overlooked until the Casks were all bound; the Chief Coiner would have sent the amt. by Mr. Bleeker, if he had had the means of carrying it, in a separate package. It will be ready for the next delivery.

I am most respectfully
Geo Newbold Esq
Pres^t Bk of America
Your O^b servant.
For the Director W^m Dabson

Mint of the United States

Sir,

We find you enclosed an invoice of the Copper Blanchets purchased for coinage from Mr. Bolton for which the Treasurer of the United States Copper account, for the quarter ending Dec 30th 1836 is charged. The amount there stated arises in the following way:

58 castles of Copper Blanchets, @ 1260.15.4 is	\$5,603.44
Exchange at 9 3/4 p. ct. on \$1051.18.10 the amt	
due to Mr. Bolton	455.80
Freight & primage, Ship Menongahela	23.69
Do. " United States	17.78
Porterage	12.00
	<u>\$6,112.71</u>

Whereas the vouchers accompanying that account only call for the amount stated in yours of the 25th inst \$5184.61.

It is hoped the enclosed invoice and this statement will prove satisfactory.

P.S. There is also enclosed the Assayer Reports A. & B. referred to in the Gold & Silver Bullion accs for the quarter ending March 31st 1836 which were omitted when those accs were forwarded.

PO New York

Dec 30 '36

Dear Sir

Please send me two Keys
of cuts I want one of them on
Monday if possible

Truly yours

R M Patterson Esq
Phila.

J L Coddington
PM

Merchants Bank

Portland December 30th 1836

Dear Sir

Would it be convenient for you
to supply this Bank with One thousand Dollars
in dimes & half dimes - or say

One half cent - \$ 150

Silver Shells - 80 \$ 1000 -

Change of all kinds is extremely scarce here
& very difficult to be obtained - our account
with much oblige is - please say if a check
on the Bank of the U. S. will be rec^d in payment
or in lieu of a deposit for S^d specie

To the

Director of the Mint -

U. S. Philadelphia

Very respectfully yr

John Osmond Cash

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Mint of the United States
December 30. 1836.

Dear Sir

In my letter of 22nd inst. there was a suggestion that it would be well to ask for \$50,000 for our ordinary account, before the close of the year. But I am glad to find that no warrant has been received, as it would have interfered with the execution of a plan for distributing the debit of our Profit and Loss account, which is as follows.

The Balance of Profit & Loss, on Dec. 31, is expected to be \$62,000 - nearly as I reported to you in November. This has accumulated since 1833 inclusive. From the various allowances for waste, I should judge that the value of gold destroyed was about half that of silver; which will make this proportion:

Gold	-	\$22,000
Silver	-	40,000
		<u>\$62,000</u>

This of course, is to be paid from our Ordinary account. I propose then to pay off the Gold wastage, by taking up Gold Certificates, held by the Girard Bank, for that amount.

Then, as to the Silver, The Girard Bank has certificates for about \$8,500; the Bank of America,

(beside their heavy deposits of \$200,000, which is expected to be ready for payment on Monday next) has about \$42,000, in Certificates purchased by them. Now, I propose that both these Banks be drawn upon, to make up the \$100,000 of wasted Silver.

To this end, it will be necessary to ask for \$32,000. I to ask especially that the Treasury warrant be drawn upon the Bank of America. This we shall deposit in that Bank, to the Credit of our Contingent Expenses. Simultaneously, we check upon that Bank for the whole amount, & in payment thereof we take up so many of their Certificates as will cover the amount. The same procedure with the Girard Bk. to the amount of \$8,000.

This arrangement will divide the Onus between these two Deposit Banks, pretty equally, & will save the transportation of \$32,000 to New York. Indeed, it would seem unfair to throw this whole burden upon the Girard Bank: & as it must fall somewhere, & that immediately, I have thought of the above plan, & hope it will meet your approbation. Mr. Eckfeldt Senr. Mr. Benezet and Mr. Sprague all approve it.

Coinage is going forward at a high rate. — The expectation now is, to pay off gold deposits down to Decem. 15, & Silver deposits to Decem. 14.

If the above plan is approved by you, will you please to ask, at the earliest moment, for \$32,000 of our Appropriation for Cont'g. Exps. to be drawn on the Bank of America, N.Y. There are already funds enough in the Girard Bank, to meet the exigency.

I regret to find, that Mr P. Powell did not fulfil his promise to you, to deposit his gold Certificates in the Girard Bank. They are in the B. U. S. But it cannot be helped now.

I shall not write further to the Bank of America in respect to their deposits, until I hear from you.

The rush of business, incidental to the close of the year, is now upon us. I am much indebted to Messrs Sprague & Maxwell for their industrious assistance in the labours which devolve upon me at this juncture.

Mr. Peale's Screen works admirably, as he tells me. — The Steam Press is now coming half dollar.

I am most respectfully
your obedient servant
J. R. M. Patterson
(Director of the Mint)
J. M. D. D. D.

N.B. The Bk. America deposited \$100,000 in Silver last night evening, & took away \$221,000 in gold and Silver.

I sent you yesterday the Statements of the cost of copper planchets per lb. from 1794 to 1836. The day before, a statement of small gold coins, to Mr. Benton. I hope they were duly read.

A Statement of the cost of Copper for Coinage at the Mint of the United States, per pound avoirdupois: inclusive of all charges, and premiums of Exchange when imported.

Year	Cents per lb.	Year	Cents per lb.	Year	Cents per lb.	
1794	18	1809	35.9	1824	32.	In 1794-5, sheet copper alone was purchased for this purpose. It continued to be used for a few years after.
1795	28	1810	none	1825	30.4	
1796	18 1/2	1811	none	1826	33.	
1797	28.5	1812	28.3	1827	28.5	
1798	29.7	1813	none	1828	25.6	
1799	28.3	1814	none	1829	29.	In 1796, the first invoice of copper planchets was rec'd, from the "Governors and Company of Copper-mines in England".
1800	42.5	1815	29.5	1830	31.	
1801	33.8	1816	36.5	1831	27.	
1802	33	1817	31.4	1832	26.5	
1803	35.5	1818	32.3	1833	26.5	
1804	38.4	1819	32.	1834	27.5	From 1798 to the present date, planchets have been purchased from the Boulton, Birmingham.
1805	none	1820	31.	1835	28.	
1806	none	1821	30.	1836	28. 6r.	
1807	35.3	1822	none	"	29. 2r.	
1808	none	1823	none	"	30. 6r.	

N.B. The fluctuations of prices were largely owing to the rates of exchange for bills on England, sometimes the premium being as high as 25 per cent in our favour, and at others 12 per cent against us. Thus without allowing for premiums, the price in 1812 would have been 27 1/2 ¢ in 1816 - 32 1/2 ¢.

Mint U.S. Thursday, Dec 29 '56

Dear Sir,

The preparation of the foregoing table required so much research as to occasion a delay in forwarding it, until this moment. I will send by Express Mails, in the hope that it may reach you in time to answer your purpose. It is a curious fact, developed in this inquiry, that the Mint was in its infancy, coining costs at an actual loss. The fact is stated by Mr. Van Buren, then Director, in a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury, Aug 9 1795. In that letter he recommends a resort, by the President to the power conferred on him by Congress of diminishing the weight of the cent by proclamation.

Mr. Eckfeldt (C. C.) is making much effort to work up the bullion of both kinds - probably the balance of Gold in the Mint will not exceed \$15,000. He expects to pay off the whole of the heavy Gold deposits of Bk of America, by Tuesday next, as well as all the Gold certificates held by that Bank, according to a list forwarded by Mr. Nicols, which you saw.

Mr. Peale rec'd your letter this morning. I believe there is but one among us (as far as I know) who does not reciprocate your felicitations upon the passage of the Bill in the lower House. I suppose the soreness in that quarter arises from the prospect of a transition from the passive to the active voice, in respect to ~~the~~ ^{the} appropriate functions and responsibilities.

A copy of the enclosed Statement is retained.

I am most respectfully

your obed^t servant

Wm. B. DuBois

*A Statement of the cost of Copper for
Coinage at the Mint of the United States, per
pound avoirdupois; inclusive of all charges, and premiums
of Exchange when imputed.*

Year.	Cents per lb.	Year.	Cents per lb.	Year.	Cents per lb.
1794	18.	1809	35.9	1824	32.
1795	18.6 3/4	1810	none	1825	30.4
1796	25.	1811	none	1826	33.
1797	28.5	1812	28.3	1827	28.5
1798	29.7	1813	none	1828	25.8
1799	28.3	1814	none	1829	29.
1800	42.5	1815	29.5	1830	31.
1801	35.8	1816	36.5	1831	27.
1802	33.	1817	31.4	1832	26.5
1803	35.5	1818	32.3	1833	26.5
1804	38.4	1819	32.	1834	27.5
1805	35.3	1820	31.	1835	28.
1806	none	1821	30.	1836	28.00
1807	35.3	1822	none.	"	29.00
1808	none	1823	none	"	32.00

*N.B. The fluctuations of prices were largely owing to the rates of
exchange for bills on England; sometimes the premium being
as high as 25 per cent. in our favour, and at others, 12 per cent.
against us. Thus, without allowing for premiums, the price in 1812
would have been 37 1/2 and in 1816, 32 1/2. - The present contract
price with Crooke, Butcher & Co.
Mint of the United States,
December 29, 1836. is 32 cts per lb. Av.*

Normandie.

Paris December 29th 1836.

R. M. Patterson,

Director of the Mine.

Sir,

We confirm our letter
of 23rd inst. having your invoice of
our case RMT with.

We now give you summary of the
charges on the same, as follows:

Transportation to Havre	£ 14-75
Commission	4
Customs Havre charges & Postage	6-25
	£ 25

which amt. we have received of Mr. Fisher.

We remain

your ob^d serv^t.

Dequint

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia December 28, 1836.

Dear Sir,

On the 20th inst I wrote to inform you that \$100,000 would be ready for payment on account of Silver Certificates No. 113, besides the balance due on No. 101. I have just been requested to say further, that the whole amt of the Certificate No. 113 may be sent for, after Wednesday next, (January 4th)

I am most respectfully
Your obt^d servant

Geo. Nicholas Esq^r
Pres^t Bank of America

for the Director
Wm. D. Smith.

*Table of the Denomination Weight and Value of
certain European Gold coins, of about the value of one
dollar.*

Country	Denomination	Date	Kings	Weight		Value
				Gr. Oz.	Dwt. Gr.	
England	Quarter Guinea	1762	22.0	1.8.3		1.27
Germany	Quarter Carolin	1750	19.2	1.12.3		1.24
Holland	Half Rixd.	1747	22.0	1.3		1.15
Portugal	Pice of 500 reis	1796	21.3 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.		1.08 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	New Cruzado	—	" "	16.2		.83 $\frac{1}{2}$
Italian States	Half Scudo	1745	22.0	1.3		1.15 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	Quarter do.	—	" "	12.5		.57 $\frac{3}{4}$
Russia	Ruble	1756	22.0	1.0.5		.97
"	do.	1799	21.3 $\frac{1}{2}$	18.7		.73 $\frac{3}{4}$
"	Gold Polten	1777	22.0	9		.35 $\frac{1}{2}$
Spain	Quarter Pistole	1756	—	1.3		1.03
"	Cornilla or gold dale	1801	20.1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.3		.98 $\frac{1}{2}$
Austria	Half Ducat	1754	20.2	1.2.2		1.10
"	Quarter do.	1755	—	13.1		.55
Netherlands	Gold florin	—	—	2.1.2		1.47
"	Half Ducat	1776	—	1.2.5		1.10

*Mint of the United States
December 28, 1836*

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia Decem^r 28. 1836.

Sir,

At the instance of the Director of the Mint, who is now absent, I enclose to you a Statement of various denominations of foreign gold coins, ^{of} the value of one dollar. The means of information ^{issue of such coins} ~~as to~~ possessed here, as to any ~~circulation~~ ^{since} the date of 1821, is not such as could be desired. I may state, however, upon the authority of a communication made by the late Director to the Secretary of the Treasury upon this subject, in November, 1834, that the gold coins of the above value, or thereabouts, which may ~~now~~ be regarded as ^{now} forming a part of the circulation in their respective countries, are:

New Crusade of Portugal, 480 reis, value 63 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents.

Half Sequin of several Italian States, \$1.12.

Quarter Sequin of same, 56 cents.

Ruble of Russia, 73 $\frac{3}{4}$ cents.

Quarter Pistole, Coronilla, or Gold Dollar of Spain and Spanish America, 1.03 prior to 1831, and about 97 $\frac{2}{3}$ cts. since that date.

I am most respectfully &c

Wm. H. N. Benton
U. S. Senator

Gold No 285		\$ 960.54
" 292	\$ 45,944.19 30,678.95	15865.74
" 300		607.68
" 307		82.68
" 308		2019.36
" 309		1576.80
" 310		4610.50
" 313		2966.55
" 314		854.92
" 328		43.10
" 335		1214.69
		<u>Dolls 35,803.56</u>

Silver No 101-	\$ 204,591.40 173,000	\$ 31,591.40
" 113		200,768.05
" 119		24.17
		<u>Dolls 232,383.62</u>

for the above certificates you will procure coin
at the Mint - & will deposit the twenty keys
Mexican Dollars, 5000 each, ^{which you have in charge} for the Bank
of America
Decr 28. 1836
Wm Wm & Co
D. T. Carter

Bank of America Nov 28, 1856

Dear Sir

Mr. Blanche from this Bank
will hand you this and will deliver at the
Bank \$100,000 in Mexican Dollars for
receipt for our account - You will please
deliver to Mr. Blanche all the Gold &
Silver Coins that are ready for us, and
if he has not the Certificates for the
whole amount we will either give you the
Certificates needed or deliver on them
the amount paid on account -

Mr. B. will pay you or Mr. Eckfeldt
\$10. for the new Coins kindly sent me
by our last messenger, and I shall esteem
it a favor if you will send me a
few of the new Dollars -

Respectfully
Robert Patterson Esq.
Director of Finance
Philadelphia

Very respectfully
I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant
J. Newbold

Dept of Agriculture Nov 27, 1895

Dear Sir I am favored with Mr. Patton's
letter of the 20th advising in your behalf that
Curtis Combs will be ready for us by the
29th inst and requesting that we will send
for them so that they may be delivered
before the close of the month. I have
therefore the pleasure to say that we
purpose sending on Thursday and as our
messenger will be instructed to return on
Friday you will please direct the Combs
put up so that he may receive them
early in the morning of that day.

Respectfully
& truly yours

Rolla Patterson Esq
Director of Forests

Shelton

Geo. Newcomb Esq

Philadelphia, December 26, 1836.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Eckhout desires me to write to you, to procure (if it be not too late) an extension of the Chief Coiners allowance for Wastage of Gold, in Proviso, of 29th Section, so that it may read "Provided that this allowance shall not exceed two thousandths of the whole amount of gold and silver bullion, respectively, that had been delivered to him by the Treasurer."

His reason, I believe, is this; that although the Chief Coiner might make his gold within the limit of one milliceme, yet, as his present stated allowance is about one and a half ($\frac{2}{3}$ of a grain) which allowance was based upon the best information which Dr. Moore could obtain, as to the true waste - he thinks, for safety's sake, and in justice to that officer, the limit should be more liberal, that is, two millicemes.

I hope you received the budget which I sent a few days ago.

If you have time or disposition to think of another matter, I will just state one, en passant. The suggestion

is Mr. J. Eckfeldt. Would it not be very desirable, that the Treasury Department should, in some way, cause to be procured, annually, by the agency of our foreign Consuls, duplicate specimens of all the coins of all countries, of the latest coinage: to be transmitted to the Mint - one coin to be assayed, and its duplicate to be carefully preserved: We should then not be thrown into doubt and difficulty, when required by the Dept. or by a Committee of Congress, to give statements in regard to foreign Coins; for example, to tell what countries are now, or have recently been issuing gold coins of the value of a dollar, or thereabouts. We have no work, or coins, here, later than the date of 1807, which is almost valueless, in such inquiries; the lapse of 30 years having made prodigious changes in coinage, everywhere.

If such a regulation were established, and made obligatory, it would be greatly advantageous to this Institution, and it would be very gratifying if it could be brought about, in some way.

I am most respectfully
your obed^t. servant
Wm^e D. Bird.

Your family were all well last evening.

P. S. Mr. Peale has rec^d this morning, your letter requesting a copy of the Laws & Proclamations respecting the weight of the Copper Coins. I have prepared it accordingly. Our Law Book does not refer to any other Book as authority for its contents, in any place that I can find.

Sub-rosa - I must express my fears that Gov. W. will make or is making efforts against the bill - most probably by writing to Mr. Benton.

Marks and Numbers.

W. S. Mint
Phil

UNION TRANSPORTATION LINE,
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND PHILADELPHIA,
VIA RAIL ROAD ACROSS NEW JERSEY.

New Brunswick Canal and Steamboat Transportation Company, Proprietors.
For the conveyance of Merchandise, Specie, Baggage, &c. &c. and insurance effected whenever
required, on any package, to its full amount of value.

Office in New-York, 14 Washington Street.
PHILADELPHIA, foot of Chestnut Street, south side.

New-York, Dec 24 1836.

Received from

W. S. Mint
Six Kegs

marked and numbered as per margin, which we promise to forward (dangers of fire, water, leakage,
and leakage excepted) and not holding ourselves responsible, if lost, stolen, or damaged, beyond the
value of two hundred dollars per package, unless insured by mutual agreement, to

in Philadelphia, upon presenting this receipt at our office, foot of Chestnut-street, and paying freight
therefor

W. S. Mint
J. P. Moore
For the Proprietors.
J. M. Lillie

New York 12 Nov. 24/36

Duncan
(W. S. Mint)

Ordered to send

At the request of

John Briggs we have shipped for W. S.
Mint Six Kegs Copper Brads for about
the same

Respectfully thy friend
J. M. Lillie

Expenses on 1 can R.M.P. n° 100 - consigned to
A. M. Patterson & Co. 24th December 1856

Transportation to Haver	£ 14 75
Commission do	4
Custom house charge - Bristol	6 75
Received	£ 75

J. W. Draper & Co.
Durand

New York Dec^r 25th 1856

H. M. Patterson Esq^r

Sir,

I hope you will excuse the liberty
I have taken in writing you - I have a Machine
Still of about 60 gallons capacity for sale - if
you are in want of one I can recommend it to your
notice - The purchaser will be instructed the
method of constructing his Chambers at one third
the usual cost - Your attention to this, if in want of
me, will oblige, Sir

Yours Most Obedt^l Servant,
Lewis Hutchinson Esq^r

377 Broadway

Erie.

Paris December 23^d 1836

A. A. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia

Sir,

At the request of A. Fisher,
we have forwarded to you by this conveyance
1 can AMP 100 containing one Trow & Fisher
brand and paid by him as per invoice here
enclosed amtly. to T. 2050 - receipt by
the Manufacturer -

We are respectfully
your obt. Serv^t
Drapac & Co

Edward Haskins - 11 December 1835

I do not entertain a very high opinion of any of the gold mines of Virginia at present seen - have not seen anything which is known to be better than those now seen - think that Smiths Ledge mine is the best yet developed and that ignorance of the proper methods of extracting the gold is the only true reason to be assigned for its abandonment. The United States mine and the Rockingham mine are widely different in their characters from any other mine now open in Virginia and they must not be taken as a criterion to judge of the others by - do not think very highly of them - The Culpeper mine may be looked to as a means of judging of the future mining prospects of Virginia - Brooks mine in Va is the only one of any note which I have not visited - Have seen many now in the market for sale which will not realize the expectations of their present owners -

The Northern portion of North Carolina around Salisbury, Lexington & Greensboro has a few developments which look well for a continuation of returns, if in the hands of persons who understand the management of ore - The principal reliance for continued returns of gold is on the counties of Mecklenburg and Lincoln in N.C. and York District in S.C. in that section are true pyritical and ferruginous points, and on them and on them alone can any reliance be placed - The neighboring counties of Burke and Rutherford produce at present great quantities of gold from the deposits, but as it is from veins that the regular returns can be looked for you must not make any calculation on the deposits as a means of furnishing future supplies - The few intelligent men who are acquainted with mining in Maryland are fast turning their attention to something to rivaling the pyrites and until that either the one or the other is brought into operation I do not think that the gold mines are likely to be very productive either in profit or produce -

In S. Carolina particularly and in this state are a description
of mines very peculiar - it is quartz in veins of a granular
structure containing occasionally particles of sulphur of
iron & others - the variety in consequence of its being easily
worn the ~~more~~ ^{more} shining gold has led persons but little acquainted
with the subject to give it more attention than in my estimation
it deserves - of this kind are Hawks - Sandhills - Smiths &c. S.C.
and Buckles, Millbrook Va. - The United States Mining Co. had vein
of this description which they soon abandoned, they informed me
that it was rich in places and altogether valuable in this -
This is the richest of the veins of quartz in which gold is found in
its native state, and I have not seen sufficient of them to induce
me to think that they will be either highly productive to the
country or likely to add much to the quantity of precious me-
tals in the United States - I have seen some indications of
gold resembling the workings of Brazil, and which like
these mines may contain thin bands ^{of} fine gold of day
but I do not think that they will - this is in S. Car.

Georgia has more washings than any other state
and less vein mining, and less appearance of good veins - The
veins are of quartz containing limonite in small cubes which
cubes seem to be very rich, but very small in proportion to the
quantity of quartz and the generality of the veins are small.
A few however are enormously thick but not rich as -
The deposits pay exceedingly well with every probability of continuing
to do so for some time - a very large proportion of the gold is sent
from this state but I did not see any indications of veins which
would lead me to believe that after the exhaustion of the deposits
that veins would be opened of the character and strength of those
around Charlotte.

From the above may be gathered that I do not consider
the gold ^{mines} ~~mines~~ with continuous to be any great feature in the
productions of the U.S. unless smelting or something with gold
be introduced and all other discussions of mines are abandoned
to work those of a general character or foreign.

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Dec^r 20th 1836

Dear Sir,

Your letter of yesterday, was received here this morning. Permit me to apologize to you for the statement in regard to the delivery of Coins, which I made, without sufficiently inquiring into the facts. I have now to say, however, that the Chief Coiner will have in readiness for you, say by the 29th inst. \$100,000 in Silver Coins, on account of your Certificate No 113, besides the balance of Certificate No 101; and you will confer a favour by sending for the same, so that it may not remain in the Mint at the close of the year.

As it regards your further deposits of Silver, the amount now in the Mint, exceeds \$600,000 which of course would retard a payment; but as all deposits have to be paid in the order of entry, and as we know not how soon other supplies may come in, the most favourable moment for depositing, is the earliest, if it accord with your own convenience.

Dr. Patterson left here this morning upon a second visit to Washington

I am, Very respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

W. D.

Geo. Newbold Esq }
Pr. Bk of America }

No 103

Director U.S. Mint
De Sir -

Office 4th Regt Ark Co
Arkans, Dec 20th 1863

Since my letter to you of 25 November
last, furnishing you with invoice of 5452 dwt 2 gr
Georgia Gold, I have forwarded another parcel
as follows

Bar	J. A. Cobb	989 dwt
" 1	Capt. Glas	912 "
" 2	Do	878 "
" 3	Do	889 "
		<u>3668</u>

Amounting to Three Thousand, Six Hundred
& Sixty Eight dwt.

I have learnt from our agent in Augusta
that this parcel was put up in Augusta with
that forwarded by me on the 25th ult.

Be good enough to pursue, in reference
to this latter parcel the instructions, contained
in my letter of 25th Nov.

Very Respectfully
Jas. G. Adams
Jas. G.

Bank of America Oct 19. 1850

Dear Sir

The letter of Mr. Dubois of the
15. says that Mr. Eckfeldt desires him to
inform me "that all the Gold & Silver Coins
due to the Bank of America are now ready
for delivery" - In favor of the 17. however
Convey the information, and we shall con-
-sequently defer sending until a longer and
shall be ready than is mentioned in your
letter - When we next send, I propose
sending at least \$100,000 in Mexican Dollars -
will you please advise me in the mean-
time whether it is a favorable moment
for the deposit -

I remain very respectfully
Yours

Rollin Patterson Esq
Director of the Bank
Philadelphia

Geo. M. W. W. W.

Dear Doctor,

For your satisfaction I enclose a copy of
our contract with Mr. Alsop, for the importation
of Bullion. I would suggest however that it
may be best to enter into no details in your
correspondence on this subject. I think the
arrangement an admirable one in every respect,
and as Mr. Alsop expects to get you a
large sum in 60 or 90 days I trust when
the wheels are once fairly in motion we shall
have no difficulty in giving you an adequate
supply.

Since the Sculptor goes to Washington to-day
or to-morrow and as I feel a strong
interest in his behalf, I should be glad if
you would call at my house in the course
of to-day or this evening, and ask the servant
to show you the marble bust of Mrs. Lewis,
which ^{was to have} ~~has just~~ been brought home this morning.

If by accident, it has not yet reached
here, the Studio of Parice is at Mrs. Clay's in
Leith.

South Street a few rods above Laurel West
Side. Dr. Jones or Mr. Hinde will accom-
pany you. I dine out to day. but
will be at home at 8 o'clock in the
evening, if that hour should suit you
to call.

Yours truly
in great haste

W. Lewis

Jan 19. 1830

Mr. Patterson

length of time, the said Richard Allen
to obtain, and deliver ^{within that period} from the
of the United States, Bullion or specie
and Silver or a portion of each metal,
be most convenient, to the amount of
sum loaned.

It is mutually agreed that if the
received shall be in Spanish American
American Dollars, such as are usually

(Copy.)

Memorandum of agreement between the Girard Bank in the city of Philadelphia and Richard Alsop for the purpose of obtaining specie or bullion of Gold and Silver or of either, for coinage at the Mint of the United States. -

The Girard Bank agrees to loan to Richard Alsop certain sums of money, not less than Three hundred thousand Dollars, on receiving satisfactory collateral security, for the term of twelve months, that is to say to discount at the legal rate of interest the notes of Richard Alsop for the sums loaned for six months, and to renew them at maturity for the same length of time, the said Richard Alsop agreeing to obtain, and deliver ^{within that period} here, from places out of the United States, Bullion or Specie of Gold and Silver or a portion of each metal, as may be most convenient, to the amount of the sum loaned.

It is mutually agreed that if the Specie received shall be in Spanish, Mexican, or South American Gold or Silver, such as are usually imported into

into the United States, the same shall be delivered
to the Girard Bank, and accounted for by sale,
each of such dollars being computed as equivalent
to a dollar of the legal coinage of the United
States; but, if the returns, or a portion thereof, shall
be received in Bullion, the same shall be taken
by the Girard Bank at the best valuation,
without any charge being made in either case by
the said Richard Alsop, for Commission, Freight,
Insurance or any other expense whatever.

It is further mutually understood and agreed
between the parties that whatever specie or
Bullion the said Richard Alsop may deliver to the
Girard Bank under this contract prior to the expiration
of twelve months from the date of the loan,
he shall be paid for in Cash, the spirit of this
contract being, that the amount loaned shall
be refunded within that period in the precious
metals, to be received from places out of the
United States, but that the ^{value of} whole sum less
the discount shall be secured to Mr Alsop
for the full space of time above named.

Witness our hands & seals this thirteenth day
of December AD 1838

Lysd. Richard Alsop (Sd)
W B Lewis for him (Sd)

Wm. A. C. L.
Dec. 19, '96.

Sir,

Although the client cannot make ^{its} ~~change~~ returns for deposits, directly, in any thing but coins, we can easily make an arrangement by which the payment may be actually made by a draft on Boston. For this purpose the client Certificate for the value of the 2000 French Croons will be made out in the name of the Girard Bank, or the Bank of the United States, for a draft pay all in Boston. On the receipt of the Coins mentioned in your letter of the 15th, this matter shall be attended to.

Yours

P. M. C.

D.

Wm. A. C. L.
Ch. New England Bank,
Boston

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Dec. 17, '36.

Dear Sir,

I was absent at Washington during your late correspondence with the Mint, and find that there have been some misapprehensions on the subject of the coins ready for you. I believe the true state of the case ^{to be} as follows.

It is the Balance of Silver Cert. No. 101 which is ready to be paid now.

No Silver certificate of a higher number than 112 is expected to be paid this month.

The Balance of Gold Cert. No. 292 is ready to be paid now; and also Nos. 284 & 300.

The Gold certificates, as high as 305 inclusive, are expected to be paid this month.

Yours
R. M. P.

To
Geo. Newbold Esq.
Pro. W. A. A. A.

Bank of America Nov 18. 1838.

Dear Sir

I have your favor of yesterday
advising me that all the Gold & Silver Coins
due to this Bank are ready for delivery -
we will endeavor to send for them early
in next week - and will then pay \$10. for
the Coins you kindly sent me by our last
messengers - I enclose a list of the Certificates
held by this Bank for deposit at the Mint
made by individuals, and if the Coin shall
be ready for these Certificates or any of them,
you will please advise me in time, so
that our Messengers of next week may
take on the Certificates & receive the Coins
for them also -

I remain very respectfully
Yrs. &c. J. W. Coleman

Robt Patterson Esq

Director of Mint

Philad.

(over)

Sale Cont. N° 285. \$960.54 ✓

300 - 807.88 ✓

307 - 83.68

308 - 2019.58

309 - 8576.80

310 - 4810.50

311 - 2988.55

314 - 854.92

\$18880.5

410 328

Sale Cont. N° 125 - \$4606.25

127 - 35.94

128 - 4127.94

129 - 152.71

130 - 38571.91

131 - 7194.79

132 - 15814.27

\$65503.81

Note -

The Certificates issued to this & now held by us

have done them - Sale \$45989.29

Balance - 234,172.54

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint.

New England Bank
Boston Dec. 16. 1886.

Sir,

The London Bank at Eastport has sent me a box containing two thousand French francs to be forwarded to you for recoinage which is shipped by the Brig. Palm to the address of the Southwark Bank to be conveyed to you on its arrival, presuming that course would be most agreeable to you.

My correspondent informs me that a representation was made to the former Director of the Mint by the London Bank, showing the vexation and loss to which American citizens near the British frontier were subjected by the circulation of French coins there at a rate above their intrinsic value & that he had the kindness to signify his readiness to co-operate in measures to remove these coins from circulation, by affording all possible dispatch in the recoinage or by receiving the coins at their Bullion value giving in exchange a draft on Boston at short sight.

Under these circumstances I trust you will excuse me for troubling you, and as the burden of freight, insurance, loss of time & incidental expenses is considerable to my correspondent I don't set the matter into need your favorable consideration. I shall be obliged if you will do me the favor to transmit me a draft on Boston at as early a date and as short sight as may be consistent with your views of the public interest & your own convenience.

Very respectfully,

Wm. B. B. B.

W. B. B.

President

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Dec. 15th 1856

Dear Sir,

Mr Eckfeldt desires me to inform you that all the gold and silver coins due to the Bank of America are now ready for delivery.

The same officer sent to you by the gentleman who was last here from that Bank, specimens of the new half dollars (\$15) and one of the new dollars, which I trust have been duly received.

The Director is absent, on a visit to Washington.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

W. C. D.B.

for R. M. Patterson

Director

To
Geo. Newbold Esq
Pres^t Bk of America

New York 14 Dec 1870.

To the Director of the Mint
in Philadelphia
Sir:

In order to meet the wishes
of a correspondent in Somersland,
in which they are about to enact
some new currency laws to com-
-pend more nearly with those of this
We beg leave to request as a special
favor that you will furnish or cause
to be furnished a copy of the late
Gold Bill -

The Act regulating the Coinage of
Silver. -
A correct Silver Chart, and any
other documents you may deem
will be useful to the object in view

If manuscript copies have to be made the
are aware that some expense must
attend it, & any expense incurred
will be most cheerfully acknowledged
your very obedt servant

Wm Bullard Symonds

Wm Alexander Gordon

He will pay the
Burr any expense incurred in
the above & will please take charge
of them and without delay any
documents furnished

Wm Bullard Symonds

New York March 12th 1836

R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mining
Bureau

W. send you by the
Conductor who goes to morning a package
of containing 3 pieces of gold valued \$12
13. 14. which please have assayed separately
and affix a statement of results.

I oblige
Yours very respectfully
for Mr. Roberts
W. C. Miller

306.28
1423.68
1729.96

Washington, Dec. 12, '96.

Dear Sir,

When the indemnity coins, and the consequent increase of labor and postage, &c., became known to me, I wrote the letter of which a copy is herewith enclosed; but I did not know, until today, that it had been acted upon by Congress. — You see by the extract from an act of July 4, also enclosed, that we have an appropriation, on our contingent account, of \$33,000, more than we were aware of at the time.

Please to call in all accounts, so that we may be perfectly square at the close of the year. Let the accounts also be so arranged

that this appropriation may be
all of it available to us. You
are aware that it continues
good for two years.

The substitution of \$1500, for
\$100 was not a mistake, but
intended to supply the deficiency
occasioned by the first error.
It has been altered, however, in
consequence of Gov. Findlay's
letter.

All is going forward well as
regards the Bill.

Most truly yours,

R. M. Patterson

Wm. E. DuBois, Esq.

Post. — I am asked to prepare
a statement for the March Minute. The
second statement of balance is
prepared to aid me. Put it on
file. —

The French Standard for Billons is
200 of silver to 800 of Copper, or 200 thousandths.

The Remedy is 14 thousandths; viz.
7 above and 7 below the standard.

The diameter of the Billon piece of 10 centimes = about 2 cents, is 19 millimeters
= 74.8 hundredths of an inch, or $\frac{3}{4}$ of an
inch very nearly.

The weight of the Billon piece of 10 centimes
is 2 grammes.

This contains $\frac{2}{5}$ the of a gramme of pure silver
and $\frac{8}{5}$ the of a gramme of Copper.

Now, supposing the Copper used in the alloy
of standard silver of no value, 9 grammes
of pure silver are worth 2 francs.

Therefore $9 : 2 :: 0.14 : \frac{8}{90}$ franc the value
of the silver in the Billon piece = $8\frac{8}{9}$ centimes.

Necessary Amendments to the Mint Bill. —

Sec. 9, line 8. Strike out the word "and" after "half dollars"; and, after "quarter dollars" insert the words "dimes and half dimes."

Same Section, lines 10, 11, 12; strike out the words — "and dimes and half dimes shall be legal tenders of payment, according to their nominal values, for any sums less than one dollar."

Sec. 29 — lines 11, 12, 13. — Strike out

Sec. 38. — Strike out the whole section.

Sec. 39 — to be called Sec. 38.

Sec. 30 — lines 12-13 — ~~14~~. — Strike out "but no coins lay out the amount to which such coins are made a legal tender shall be delivered to the depositor without his consent."

A B 10

Supplement for establishing new varieties of
Coin.

Be it enacted &c

That it shall be lawful hereafter to coin gold dollar pieces, of which the weight shall be twenty five grains and eight tenths, and which shall be legal tenders of payment, at the rate of one dollar each, for all sums whatever.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, that the designs on the dollar piece on the reverse of the gold dollar piece the figure of the eagle shall be omitted.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, that it shall be lawful hereafter to coin two-cent pieces of ~~Billon~~, or an alloy, composed of that of one thousand of four parts by weight of copper and one of silver; & that the weight of the two-cent piece shall be thirty grains.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, that in the ingots of billon, prepared for the Coins, the deviation from the standard shall not exceed seven thousandths.

At end of Art. 10.

Sec. 10^{1/2}. And be it further enacted that it shall be lawful hereforward to coin gold dollar pieces, of which the weight shall be twenty five grains and eight tenths, and which shall be legal tender of payment, at the rate of one dollar each, for all sums, that may.

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Art. Sec. 12^{1/2}. And be it further enacted that it shall be lawful hereforward to coin two-cent pieces of an alloy consisting compound of nine parts by weight of copper to one of silver, and weighing sixty grains. And that the two-cent piece shall be a legal tender of payment, according to its nominal value for all sums less than a dime.

If the above sections are adopted, then amend the last clause of Sec. 13, as follows:
"And on the reverse of the gold dollar piece, the dime and half dime, the two-cent piece, and the cent and half-cent, the figures of the eagle shall be omitted."

And

Gadsby's Hotel
Washington, Dec. 12, 1834.

Dear Sir,

I return you the copy of the bill, with two or three new alterations, for which it is proper that I should give you the reasons.

In Sec. 12, I propose to reduce the weight of the cent from 168 grains to 140, and of the half-cent from 84 grains to 70. The increased price of copper warrants this reduction, and there can be no just reason for giving to the copper coins, which must still be of inconvenient size, a greater weight than is required to protect them from counterfeiting. With the weight which I propose, 50 cents or 100 half cents will weigh just one pound avoirdupois.

Sec. 14.— The change which you will see proposed in this section is intended for the benefit of our depositors. The existing regulation of the mint, which was introduced into the bill as reported, often acts unjustly; and it appears to me that the true or more liberal system is to pay to the depositor the value of his gold or silver, whenever it is actually deposited, however low its value may be: the deduction provided for in Sec. 19 being of course made.

2/ Sec. 16. — In this section I propose to strike out a clause, which was introduced with great reluctance, to conform with the practice of the Mint heretofore. To keep up a thorough system of accountability, it is necessary that the Treasurer have a Muller of his own, (a workman, and that no metal be delivered to the Muller Refiner, until it can be transferred under the regulations in Sec. 21. The sect. may now be amended to,

Sec. 23 and other. — The expression thousand pounds, which was somewhat ambiguous, is altered to thousand dollars.

Sec. 28. — In this section the words introduced were in the original Bill, and must have been omitted by the printer through mistake, as the words "its contents" which follow, show. This chest is called the Pyx in foreign mints; and the British Mint makes a charge for the pyx pieces. The pyx has always been used at our Mint, and is guarded with great care.

Sec. 32. — The limitation of the deposits introduced by the Committee would render the provision of this section almost useless. Three hundred thousand dollars is but a weak coinage. As the currency will be multiplied by this deposit, and the government cannot lose by it, I hope its amount will be left to the discretion of the President of the Treasury.

3/ With these alterations, and those before agreed upon, the Mint Bill will be all that I wish it. I am opposed to the introduction of any new coins. Our quarter-eagle is smaller than any gold coin used in France or England, and if the dollar gold piece be introduced it will present us with the anomaly of two coins of the same value, and will be employing a scarce metal as a substitute for one which is comparatively plenty. We have no gold to spare for new varieties. The production of our own mints, ^{brought to the mint} this year, will not exceed half a million, and there is but little more indemnity gold to be looked for. — As for the coins of billon or base silver, the objections to them are not so great; but ^{they} are easily counterfeited, and, on use, become very pale in their appearance; and the silver which is introduced into them loses a great deal of its intrinsic value by the combination with the copper, since it cannot be again separated but at a great cost.

If, however, it be determined to introduce the gold dollar piece, the following are the proper changes to make in the Bill.

Sec. 10 1/2. And be it further enacted that it shall be lawful hereafter to coin gold dollar pieces, of which the weight shall be twenty fine grains and eight tenths, and which shall be legal tender of payment, at the rate of one dollar

Each, for all sums whatever.

After Sec. 26, add — "or one thousand gold dollar pieces."

If coins of billon are to be introduced, the following change in the bill will be necessary.

Sec. 12½. — And be it further enacted, that it shall be lawful hereafter to coin two-cent pieces of ^{billon} alloy composed of nine parts by weight of copper and one of silver, and weighing sixty grains; and that the two-cent piece shall be a legal tender of payment, according to its legal value nominal value, for all sums less than a dime.

Sec. 2, l. 35, after "silver or gold" insert or of billon.

Sec. 2, l. 39, — after "gold ingots", insert "the ingots of billon."

If ^{all} the above sections are adopted, then amend the last clause of Sec. 13, as follows: "and on the reverse of the gold dollar piece, the dime and half dime, the two-cent piece, and the cent and half cent the figure of the eagle shall be omitted."

Sec. 25, l. 6, after "copper coins" insert "and coins of billon."

Sec. 26, l. 14, after "half dime", insert "the penny-weight in one thousand two-cent pieces."

New York. December 9th 1836

My Dear Sir

In reply to your friendly favour
of the 6th inst. I have to observe that when I apply for a
situation of any service or office I must well acquainted
first of the duties of that office and not have to learn
them after I am appointed and installed in that
office as many other men have done and received their
salary without having done their duty or being capable of
doing it. I further have to state to you that I am ac-
quainted with every branch of the mtd. duties of the mint
from the Druggist up to the Director and not alone
that I think that the engraving part or die sinking
would be vastly improved because our half and
Quarter Dollars are no great credit to such an
elegant mint as the United States mint is. I know
that you are a sensible and reasonable gentleman and
will not be offended at my plain and prompt expression.
It would be a great deal of pleasure to me to become a
colleague to such a worthy gentleman as Dr. Patterson, if
you are pleased to mention that there is no such a law for
establishing a Branch Mint in New York however such an
office or inspector would be of important service and
it can easily be created if you and the Secretary of
Treasury recommend it and have it bestowed on me.

it should partly indemnify me for the injury that has
been done to me by having being kept out of my employment
in the mint and the promise Mr. Targant has made to me
and I really think that the interference of the Honorable
John C. Calhoun has promoted the passing of the bill
which was done to turn me, and to get me Employment.

I have the Honour to be
Very Respectfully Yours &c. &c.
Moritz First

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the U. S. Mint.

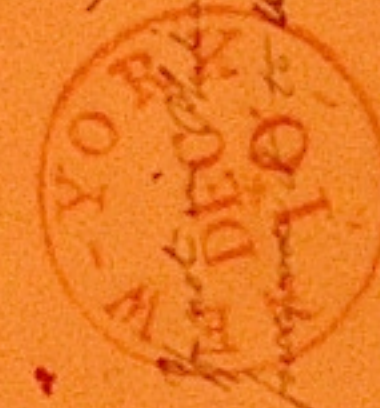
N.B. The reason that the letter was Post marked two days
later than it was written because the writing was done on the
1st at night, and the 2^d my intention ^{was} to do my self
the pleasure to pay you a visit the next day and hand
it to you in "propria persona" but considering my
financial affairs I thought I should not wait then the
expenses, and sent you the letter by post on the 3rd

From/
Moritz First Esq
dated 9th (Decem 1836
rec^d 12)

Dr. R. M. Patterson

Director of the U. S. Mint

Philadelphia



Private

Data
Facts respecting Billon.

The French Standard

The value of a grain of pure Silver is

0.269360

The Mint value of a grain of Copper is
0.005952 { Silver worth 45 parts
as much as copper

Now it is easy to find, that the value of
a grain of Billon, of the French Standard,
200 of Silver in the 1000, is

0.058634

And the weight of such Billon, worth a
cent, is

17.05 grains. $\frac{17.05}{4.26} = 12.79$
34.10

The value of a grain of billon, of the
Standard on-tenth, or 100 of Silver in the 1000, is

0.032293

And the weight of such Billon, worth a
cent, is

30.97 grains. $\frac{30.97}{1.74} = 18.64$
23.23

The weight of the French Decime is 2 grains

$= 2 \times 15.432 \text{ grains} = 30.864$

$\frac{30.864}{436.850} = 0.0706$
24

The value of Decime, is

the tenth part of a dollar piece
 $= 1.864 \text{ cents.}$

$\frac{1.864}{1.81} : 30.864 :: 2 : 33.9$
1.8096 etc.

Mint of the United States.
December 10. 1836.

Dear Sir,
I am very sorry to say, that an error has occurred in drawing for Ordinary Expenses, and through my own default. You asked for

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Officers & Clerks | 5950 |
| 2. Assistants & Laborers | 7000 |
| 3. Contingent Exp ^t | 100 |
| 4. New Machinery | 10,000 |
| | <u>\$23,050</u> |

which upon a scrutiny by Mr. Bennett and myself, seems out to be \$1000 too much; namely, on the second item. The Secretary's Warrant is just received, in which a correction is made of that item, bringing it down to \$6000; and if it had been so left, the whole account would have been correct, but unhappily, the officer there has added \$1000 to the 3rd item - sending us \$1100, instead of \$100. I feel myself very much to blame, ^{having} forgiven you these data, without submitting them to the examination of another clerk - for there is no other perfect security against error in numbered figures.

At the same time, it is strange that the error, ~~should have~~ ^{should have} been detected & corrected, should have been recomitted in the Treasurer's office in Washington. For Findlay has

just written to Mr. Campbell, Treas. U.S. informing him
of the excess on the account of Incidental & Contingent
Expenses, & enclosing the Warrant & accompanying papers.
Will you have the goodness to call on that Officer, and
ascertain how the correction can be made. Perhaps an
attention of your first request to the Secretary, will be necessary.

An agent of the Bank of America took away,
this morning, all the gold and silver coins in reading,
for that Institution.

I am very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Wm. C. DuBois.

Je soussigné, Nicolas Pierre Violier,
Gravureur général des Monnaies, de la
Chancellerie de France, Officier de l'Ordre royal
de la Légion d'Honneur, et Chevalier de l'Ordre
de S. Anne de Russie.

Déclare, qu'à priori l'invitation
qui m'a été faite par M. Ficker, au nom de
M. Patterson, Résident de la Commission
des Monnaies des Etats-Unis d'Amérique,

J'ai examiné et visité le Tour à Portrait
exécuté par le S. Contamin, Ingénieur
Mécanicien à Paris, demeurant rue de Montmorency
N. 40. ce qui m'a paru d'une construction
préférable à tous ceux qui ont été fabriqués jusqu'à
ce jour, tant pour la solidité, que pour la
durée qu'il doit avoir, pour résister aux changements
et additions apportés par cet artiste dans son
exécution.

Mais désirant avoir une copie parfaite
durant la durée de cette nouvelle Machine, J'ai
fait transporter ce tour dans mon atelier, hôtel
des Monnaies, où il a été fait deux mes-
ures, et deux copies de mes chefs d'atelier,
la réduction d'une tête de Raphaël,
dans le style monétaire, l'original est en
double de la réduction faite en acier fondu et
qui



qui se trouve ci-jointe.

Je pense que la parfaite confiance de votre direction,
conviendra de la sincérité du témoignage que
je me place à donner aux perfectionnements
apportés à cette Machine, qui je n'en doute
pas, aura l'avantage de s'améliorer en
travaillant, et fit connaître des autres Cours
et Pratices, et j'ose espérer que ce témoignage
aura pour faire accorder à Monsieur
Contamin, la somme de Cinq cents francs
qu'il demande en sus du prix convenu pour
l'indemnité pour les recherches et perfectionnements
qu'il a apportés dans ce Travail.

Je déclare donc ce Cour à Portraits
le plus parfait de ceux connus jus qu'à ce
jour.

En foi de quoi, J'ai signé le présent
Certificat pour servir et valoir ce que
de raison.

à Paris le 12 Décembre 1836.



M. Bichard

Dept of America Dec 8. 1838

Dear Sir

We shall send a messenger
tomorrow morning for the Coing ready
for us at the office. You will be
pleased to direct the Coing to be put up
so that he may return on Saturday -

In haste very truly yours

Wm. A. B. B. B.

Rich Patterson Esq

Director of the Office

Philadelphia

Bank of America Oct. 8, 1836

Dear Sir

Mr. Salathiel from this Bank
will hand you this and Gold Certificate
N. 228 which receive the Gold & Silver
being ready for delivery on our account

The amount that you shall deliver
him beyond the Balance due on this
Certificate shall be entered on the
remaining Certificates held by us

I remain with great respect

Your old Servant

Rolla Patterson Esq

Director of the Bank

Philad.

Geo. W. B. B. B.

P.S. Mr. Salathiel will pay Mr. Eckfeldt \$16.
for the Silver Coins from the New dies that he
was good enough to send me - your letter said
\$15. but I found \$16. and shall be pleased to
return a Dollar to them - yd. G. W.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
of the W. S. Flint,
Dear Sir,

We enclose a note from our
friends in New York Messrs. Christmas Livingston (Primer)
Wester asking for information as to the present precise
relation of Gold to Silver.

We solicit the favor of a reply to the same
at your convenience.

Very Respectfully Sir

Yours Truly

W. Biddle Co.

Office N. 30. South 3. St.

Dec. 7th 1836.

Mr. Patterson Esq
Director

Bank of Lyons
Dec 7th 1836

Dear Sir

Things of the 1st Inst
I recd and I am surprised at the miscarriage of
mine of 25000 covering Draft on Albany City
Bank for 1000. It is possible, that the Super-
tine was wrong & it may now be in the Phila Post
office - May I trouble you to enquire about it
there - Should you find it, you may return it
to me and in the Spring I will send you a
new Draft for 1000. The Canal is now frozen
and we cannot expect navigation again
much before May next.

Very Respectfully

Yours

J. B. Fisk
Cashier

W. L. G. F. S. E.

Minst of the United States,
Philadelphia, Dec. 5, 1836.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 1st inst., post-
marked the 3d., was received yesterday; and
in answer to it I have to state that there
is now law for establishing a Branch
Mint at New York, and that it may
maintain whether any such Branch will
be received the sanction of Congress, —
that such an Office as Inspector of the
Mint has not been created for any of
the existing Branches, and is not, I think,
likely to be introduced hereafter, — that
I have no authority as to the ~~off~~ selection
of officers for the Branches, and have not
hitherto interfered with you so far as
to present a recommendation, — and, last-
ly, that while I acknowledge your talents
and skill as an engraver of medal dies,
I have had no evidence of any peculiar
fitness that you possessed for the situa-
tion for which you ^{are} applying.

Wm. L. G.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Dec. 3, 1846.

Sir,

I have respectfully to request
that you will issue your warrant,
in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint,
for Twenty-three thousand and
fifty dollars, out of the following
Mint Appropriations: viz.

For Salaries of Officers &c.	\$ 5,950
Laborers Wages, ---	7,100
Contingent Expenses ---	100
New Machinery ---	10,000
	<u>\$ 23,050.</u>

Very respectfully,
Your faithful Servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director

To
Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Secretary of the Treasury

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Bank of America (Dec 2. 1835)

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge
the receipt of your favor of the 30th ult.
enclosing a Treasury transfer draft on this Bank
for \$200,000 which agreeably to your instructions
I have placed to the Credit of Mr. Lindley
Esq. Treasurer of the allent -

We shall take immediate measures
to procure Gold & Silver Bullion for the allent
and will cheerfully cooperate with the Second
Bank, so as to avoid any interference in the
operations of each other -

I have also received your favor
of the 1st inst. advising me that there is some
Gold & Silver Coins ready for delivery on acct.
of our Certificates - we will send for them
in the course of next week, and I will advise
you of the precise time a day or two before
with great respect

Robert Patterson Esq.
Director of allent
Philad.

John A. B. Ford
Jas. M. Cole Esq.

U.S. Mint—

Ph. Dec. 1, 1836.

Dear Sir,

The balance due on your gold certificates No. 262, amounting to \$89,921.55 is ready for delivery; and when you send for it, silver coins will also be delivered, though Mr. Eckfeldt is now able to say to what amount.

Please to let me know when your messenger will come, that as much silver may be counted off for you as possible, as we are now engaged on your deposits.

Very respectfully

Your faithful servant

R. M. Patterson

Dear

W.
Geo. A. Lebold, Esq., }
Pr. Bk. America. }

Mr

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Dec. 1, 1856.

Dear Sir,

Your letter dated Nov. 4, last post-
marked Nov. 25th, has just been received;
and I am sorry to have to state to you
that the Draft for \$100 on Albany
City Bank, of Oct. 25th, which you state that
you had forwarded to me, for a bag of
Cents, has never come to hand.

The orders for cents are so numerous
that I fear there may be some delay in
sending you a bag; but, on receiving a draft
for the amount, we will send you one as
early as possible. \$120 will make a
more convenient amount for us to remit.

Yrs

Y

R. M. P.

Director

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J. B. Bigelow & Co
Cash. Bank of Lyons, N.Y.

P. de Callenson Esq

Director of the Mint

Trans Bank
Treas^r Dec: 1. 1836

Sir,

Your favor of yesterday covering a
Transfer Draft on this Bank (N^o 1768) for \$300,000,
came duly to hand, and agreeably to your
directions that amount has been placed to the
credit of W^m Hindlay Esq Treasurer of the Mint.

I observe that the object of this deposit is to
enable you to procure bullion or foreign coins of
gold & silver for purposes of Coinage, in which
measure the gratuitous services of this Bank
will be willingly rendered, it being understood
that the Bank shall obtain the gold & silver, and
the Mint purchase them of the Bank at cost &
the necessary charges.

I also observe that the agency of the Bank of
America is ~~also~~ engaged for a like purpose, &
that it is expected that the Banks will transact
the business in such a manner as to avoid
the possibility of interference with each other.

after

After promising that it will afford us great
pleasure to facilitate your views in the prosecution
of the above measure, I have only further to
add, at present, that I have this day addressed
Mr. Knobel, the President of the Bank of America,
respecting it, and proposed such a plan of
joint action as in my opinion will be
most likely to accomplish on the most
favorable terms the object in view.

As soon as any definitive mode shall be
fixed on for procuring a regular & adequate
supply of the metals desired I shall have
the pleasure of again addressing you.

Very Respectfully
Yours etc &c
Wm Lewis

New York December 1-1856

Dear Sir

allow me to call to your recollection that when I gave you some printed documents, twelve or thirteen months ago in this city that I told you, your Father and your Brother Melan Dr Moore has kept me out of my situation in the Mint, I was in hopes that you will amend the injuries those Gentlemen has done me, by depriving me of my employment in the mint, and, having men where one was very old and infirm to perform the duties of that office the next one was obliged to learn the Business, after he was appointed to the office and is yet incapable of rendering such services to do honour to the office; I do not know whether you have read my paper attentively and considered on it, because on the favourable opinion which I have formed on your good disposition and correct principle of honour I have flattered my self that you would have provided me with Employment, which should have amended the injuries your Father and your ^{Brother} Melan have done me; & an other Circumstance, that when Mr Sargent wanted a Bill passed in the house of Congress to have a new Mint built in Phil^a he could not succeed well, and I went to his lodgings and told him that if he gets me the office of inspector of the new Mint I will shake with a certain friend of mine who is of the influence will get a majority in favour of the Bill to be passed.

he said, that he will see what he can do for me
after the bill passed but told him on such conditions
I do not like to go on. he must give me a certain
promise that I will get the place and he agreed to it.
I then went to my friend the Honorable John C. Calhoun
then Vice President and told him if he would be so
kind as to aid or give his assistance I would be employed
in the mint this about 10 O'clock in the Morning when
I called on that Gentleman and spoke with him and
at noon the bill passed I believe that Mr. Sargent
has tried to get me the place. and spoke with Dr. Loomis
in my behalf to get me the office and so I believe the
Honorable Mr. Gallat when he was district Attorney for
the United States did the same.

Now Dear Sir there
will be a Branch mint in the City of New York and as my
funds begin to get very small I am under the necessity to beg
of you the favour to give me that place. or get it for
me under the title of Inspector of the United States Mint
but as I mentioned that Circumstance compels me to have
this office before the application to Congress for a Branch
mint in New York or as soon as possible.

Very Respectfully
Your obedient servant
Moritz First

Dr. R. M. Patterson
Director of the U.S. Mint

Mint of the United States,
December 1. 1856.

Sir,

I send herewith, in compliance
with the directions of the Department, the statement
of Gold Deposits and Coinage for the month of
November.

With great respect

Am: Levi Woodbury
Secretary of the Treasury

Your faithful servant

(signed) R M Patterson

Statement of the Deposits and Coinage
of Gold at the Mint of the United States, in the month
of November, 1836.

Balance remaining uncoined October 31. \$530,785.

Deposits for coinage:

Bullion of the United States . . .	\$35,000	
Foreign Bullion	57,390	
Foreign Coins	3910.	96,300
		<u>627,055</u>

Amount of Gold Coinage within the month of	}	487,860
November, including \$232,375 in Quarter Eagles		487,860

Balance remaining uncoined, Novemb 30.	<u>139,425</u>
	139,425

Mint of the United States,
November 30. 1836.

By *R. M. Patterson*,
Director

16th Copper Coinage

1837		Dolls	Cts 1837
	to Chief Coiner received from him		
	per Warrant of the Director	10285	71
	Ditto . . . Ditto . . .	7490	95

17776 66

Copper Coinage

	Dolls	Cts
By Treasurer of the Mint deposited		
to his credit in the Bank of the per Warr ^{ts}	10285	71
Ditto . . . Ditto . . .	7490	95

17776 66

Miss M. S. —
J. L. — Jan 30, 1857.

Fuller —
I am requested, by the Chief
Clerk, to ask, that you will hereafter
state, in your invoices, the tare and the
gross weight corresponding to each cask,
designating these by numbers, the casks be-
ing designated by number.

In a letter from Mr. Boutwell of the
15th of Nov., he mentions that copper has
fallen £ 13 per ton, (ten per cent.) and
his charges are reduced proportionally.
This reduction ^{in the price of copper} of course falls
on you. What alterations do you propose
to make in the future charge for planishing?

Very respectfully,
R. M. P.
Dr.

To/
Messrs. Crocker, Brothers & Co.

Treasury Department
January 20th 1857

Sir,

As the present Congress is drawing to a close, allow
me to suggest to you the propriety of nominating to this Department,
as soon as practicable suitable persons for ^{all} the vacancies in the Branch Banks
in New Orleans, Georgia & Carolina. No stations, except the Super-
intendents have yet been filled.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
your ob. St.

A. M. Patterson Esq.
Mint
Phila

Samuel Woodbury
Secretary of Treasury,

Post Office New York
Jan'y 29. 1837

Sir

Please send me two keys
of Copper Coin soon as possible if not
convenient to send both on receipt of
this please ^{send} me one on Monday &
the other soon as you can

I Much Obey

Yours very respectfully

J. S. Codding
J. S.

To / Wm Patterson Esq
Director of the
Mint Phila

Mint of the United States.
June 28th, 1837.

David Banks
Pay to Abraham Miller, a Bearer,
Ninety two dollars 45 cents.
\$92.45

A. M. Patterson,
Director.

Mint of the United States.
Phil. tele. Jan. 28, '87

Sir,
In the 32d section of the new Mint
law it is enacted "That to witte, &c."
"second Monday in February, annually, &c."
It is thus, as you observe, left to the
President to designate additional Com-
missioners for the annual assay, and
I take the liberty of asking that these
nominations appointments may now be
made.

I am, Sir, most respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director

To
Hon. Lewis Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

(Private.)

W. S. West Jan. 26, 1837.

Dear Sir,
I send you herewith an official request for the ~~appointment of the additional~~ ^{appointment of the additional} Commission for the Annual Meeting to be held on the 13th proximo. Let me take the liberty of stating that the number ought not to exceed three, making, in all, six Commissioners, — as many as can conveniently attend the operations. ~~If I suggest~~ I also take the liberty of suggesting suitable persons for this duty. I would name, first, the late Director, Dr. Saml. Moore, as a really excellent judge of the whole matter. ~~to~~ I think, next, that it would be proper to have a representative of our large depositors, and I would name Mr. Ashbald, if he were here, — but as he is not, I respectfully recommend either James Schott Esq., President of the Ocean Bank, for the third or W. D. Lewis Esq., the Cashier. For the third person, I should think it desirable to have a Chemist of known reputation, and the most prominent man here, of that character, is Professor Robert Hare. It is right for me to state, however, that he

is a decided anti-administrative man, but, as the on the principle of appointing some minority men always in Committees, this may not perhaps be considered an objection. If it should, I would then ~~name~~ suggest the name of Benjamin Richards Esq., a former Island Esq.

Most respectfully

Truly Yours

P. M. Patterson.

W. Mr. Lewis Woodbury.

Mint of the United States
Phila. Jan 7 28. 1837

Sir

Your letter of the 25th of Nov. was received here on the 7th ult.; and your letter of the 20th of Dec., on the 2nd inst.; but neither of the parcels of gold mentioned in them has come to hand. Mr. Trevor, of the Philadelphia Bank calls here this morning to make inquiry on the subject.

Very respectfully
Your faithful servant

R. M. P.

Director

To/

James Gamak Esq
Cash. Geo. R & Bkg Co
Geo.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan. 28, 1837.

Sir,

The 18th section of the new Mint Bill is as follows:

Sec. 18. And he it further enacted, That the only subjects of Charge Vc. [Here copy the whole section.]

Under this permissive law, I respectfully propose, for your approbation, the following

Mint Charges.

[1st. On Depositors of Silver.]

1st. When the silver requires refining or toughening, by being pressed through the test, there shall be a charge of $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cent per ounce on the metal subjected to this operation.

2d. When the silver is of a quality fit for coinage except that it is below standard, the charge, for raising the silver to standard, shall be $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cent per ounce, or so much of the metal as must be refined, in order that being mixed with the remainder, the whole may be brought to standard.

3d. When the silver is above standard, there shall be a charge of 3 cents per ounce on the copper added for alloy, in order to reduce it to standard.

4th. When the silver contains gold, there shall be a charge of 4 cents per ounce on the deposits for the separation of the gold.

[2d. On Deposits of Gold.]

5th. When the gold requires refining or toughening, the charge for this operation shall be one cent per ounce on the deposit.

6th. When the gold is above standard, there shall be a charge of 3 cents per ounce on the copper introduced, and of 12 1/2 cents per ounce on the silver: but the silver charged for shall in no case exceed one quarter of the whole alloy.

7th. When the gold contains silver, there shall be a charge of 12 cents per ounce, on the deposits, for the separation of the silver.

[3d. Limit to the Deficiency of Gold & Silver.]

8th. Neither gold nor silver shall be separated, for the benefit of the depositor, when the net product of the operation, estimated upon the above charges, shall ^{in all cases} not exceed five dollars.

I send you herewith the estimates upon which the above tariff of charges is founded. I am confident that it is a very liberal one, and will, on the whole, fall short of "the actual ^{expense} of the materials and labor employed."

Most respectfully,

Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Director.

To Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Secretary of the
Treasury.

Charges on Silver

1. Expenses of the Test.

When the test is used, the operation is kept up both day and night, and we may count upon refining three charges in 24 hours.

Each charge is about 3000 ounces, or the day's work will be 9000 ounces.

A test will serve for both our day's work, and will cost \$2.

The fuel used is estimated at \$11.

Each charge will take about 50 lbs. of lead; so that the lead used in a day, at 6 cts per lb., will cost \$10.80.

The cost of the labor is about \$5.80.

When the whole cost, for refining 9000 ounces, will be: For the test \$2.00

" fuel 11.00

" lead 10.80

" labor 5.80

\$ 30.60

This is a trifle more than our child of a cent per ounce, ^{which} is the charge heretofore made at the Mint, and now recommended for adoption under the new law?

2. Expense of raising Silver to Standard.

When the metal is of good quality, such as foreign coins, but below our standard, a portion of it only need be brought to a high degree of fineness, so as to raise the whole to standard; and, for this purpose the charge of refining by the test should be made.

An example will render this intelligible. — The average fineness of Mexican dollars is 896 thousandths. By the test, silver is raised to about 990; and our standard is 900. From these data it may be found that ~~42.13 ounces~~ must be subjected to the test, and the cost of raising the 1000 out of 1000 ounces, it is necessary to subject but 42.13 to the test, and the whole charge will be only 1 1/2 cents, corresponding to about 12 1/2 cents on a thousand dollars.

3. Expense of Copper Alloy.

The Mint Value of Copper is 2.857 cents per ounce Troy. We have always made the charge for Copper alloy 3 cents per ounce.

4. Expense of Separating Gold from Silver.

The day's work is on 154 lbs. of metal, of which contains about 123 lbs. of silver and 31 of gold combined. The operation of separating them, which is very complicated, includes the following items of expense.

250 lbs. nitric acid, at 12 1/2 cts. # lb.,	\$ 31.25
15 bushels charcoal, —	2.25
1 bushel salt, —	.63
30 lbs. sulphuric acid, at 4 cts. # lb.,	1.20
40 lbs. lime, at 6 cts. # lb., —	2.40
1 large black lead pot —	2.80
1 small " " —	1.05
5 days work —	8.50

Whole cost — \$ 50.08

Although, in the operation, in some cases, if practicable, to have about 20 per cent. of gold in the metal dissolved, yet the average proportion of gold in the deposits is not so much as one per cent.; and as the charge is made on the weight of the deposits, we may consider \$50.08 as the expense of separating 124 lbs., or 1488 ounces. This gives the expense for one ounce about 3.4 cents. — But when copper is contained in the deposits, as is often the

case, the quantity of nitric acid consumed is much increased, - for copper requires three times as much acid to dissolve it as silver. I do not consider, therefore, that the separating ^{ought to} ~~can~~ be done at a ~~less~~ ^{cheap cost} expense than 4 cents per ounce, which corresponds almost exactly with the old charge of 40 cents per pound.

5. Charges on Gold.

Expense of Refining or Touching.

This is done by melting the gold with nitric, by which means it is gradually freed from the copper and other base metals. - The items of cost are the nitric, fuel, crucibles, and labor. The charge heretofore has been 4 cents per ounce. - we find that it may be reduced to one cent.

Expense of Alloy of Gold.

The Mint price of Copper has been already considered. The true Mint price of pure silver, in U.S. Coins, is almost exactly \$1.29.

7. Expense of Separating Silver from Gold.

The process is the same as for separating gold from silver, but the charge is always made on the weight of the deposit, which is named gold with silver when the gold is in excess, and silver with gold when the silver is in excess.

If the silver be not in the proportion of at least three quarters of the whole, silver must be added; and, as there is always some waste in the operation, this ^{will be} an item of expense, and will be particularly felt at the Gold Miners.

Dividing \$50.08 the estimated cost of separating the silver from 31 lbs. of gold, by this weight in ounces, we get ^{for} the cost of the operation 13.4 cents per ounce. - ~~We have~~

We have been charging but 6 cents; but we have long known that the charge was insufficient. I cannot propose a lower charge than 10. - It must be observed, that, in practice, the silver separated is a clear gain to the depositor, and very often an unexpected one.

8. Limit to the separation of Gold & Silver

Act Sect. 116 of the new Mint law states,
"That when gold and silver are combined,
if either of these metals be in such
small proportions that it cannot be
separated advantageously, no allow-
ance shall be made to the depositor
for the value of such metals."

Therefore the limit established at
the present has been \$10. I propose
to be more liberal to the depositor
and to reduce it to \$5.

My Dear Sir,

New York 28th Aug 1837

I have just received your letter of
yesterday's date and will attend to your request
the moment the Ship arrives. The package will
be forwarded to you without having it opened.

Yours for respectfully,

Wm. O. Ford

Sam. Rowland

R. M. Parsons Esq.
Philad.

Private

Treasury Department
January 27. 1837.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication, dated the 25th and to thank you for the opportunity of passing the notes by a friend, which accompanied it.

I remain very Respy
Your Obedt Servt

Sam Woodbury
Sec. of the Treasury.

D. R. M. Patton -

Director of the Mint
Philad^a.

TRUSTEE BANK.

New York, Jan'y 26. 1857.
R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Dear Sir,

I have received your favor of the 25th inst., with
enclosures as stated viz

Outfit for gold Mullins	\$17,754.51
do do do do	53.96
	<hr/>
	\$17,788.47

which are placed to the credit of the
Augusta Branch of the Marine Bank

Very respectfully,

Your at Serv.

W. J. Lane

Minot St. Jan. 25, 1857.

Sir,
I send you enclosed the Memorandum of
your deposits of Gold received on the 24th
inst. — The certificates were made out in
the name of W. J. Kane Esq., Cashier of the
Fulton Bank, and are forwarded to him at
New York.

The fineness of the several parcels was
found to be as follows:

No. 1,	786 thousandths
2,	981
3,	940
4,	958
5,	921

The first, as you see, is far below the standard
quality of Georgia gold. It consisted of

Gold	786
Silver	197
Base Metal	17
	<u>1000</u>

There was no difference in the appearance of
the bars, previous to melting, that attracted the
attention of the Assayer & Clerk of the Weight
Room; but their attention was not specially
directed to the subject.

Wm. St.
S. J. Kane, Esq.

Chilton Bank

New York Jan^y 25th 1857.

Dear Sir,

Your favor of yesterday is just
rec^d. — I am quite sure that it
was the intention of the Cashier of the
Anglo Bank of the Parian Bank, that
the Certificate of the gold should be made
in my name as Cashier in order that
it may be placed to his credit in this
institution as early as practicable.

You will therefore please make it
accordingly — I am very respectfully
Yours obt. Serv^t.

J. R. M. Patterson Esq

Director of the Mint of U.S.

W. J. Lane
(Cashier)

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Jan^y. 23^d. 1837

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your favours of
the 19th and 21st inst.

The final adoption of the new Mint law
relieves us from the difficulties of a temporary
interregnum, and enables us now to proceed with
our work unembarrassed.

I am gratified that the President has
sanctioned the rate of salaries proposed in my
letter of the 13th.

You ask me to suggest to the Depart-
ment the amount of security that should be
given by the Superintendents of the Branch Mints;
and I will take the liberty, in reply, to include
all the other Officers.

As to the Superintendent of the New
Orleans Mint, I presume he should be considered
as on the same footing with the Director here, and
not be required to give any security. He has
neither money nor bullion entrusted to him.
The other Officers of this Mint should, I think, have
the same securities required of them as the cor-
responding Officers here, as the Mint is established
upon the scale. — The trust imposed in the
Superintendents of the gold Mints, who act as

Treasurers, and are without the check of Directors warrants, is very great, and I think that the amount of their surety should be equal to that of our Treasurer. On full consideration, then, I would respectfully propose the following rates.

For the Mint at New Orleans

Treasurer	\$ 10,000
Assayer	5,000
Melter & Refiner	10,000
Coiner	10,000

For the Gold Mint

Superintendent, acting as Treasurer	\$ 10,000
Assayer, acting also as Melter & Refiner	5,000
Coiner	5,000

I am sorry to say that, with all my inquiries, I have not yet been able to find any suitable persons as Coiners for the new Mint, who would be willing to accept the office. I have written to Gen. Gordon on the subject, and hope to consult in person with the other Superintendents.

Most respectfully
Your faithful Servant,

To
Hon Levi Woodbury
Sec^y of the Treasury

Washington Nov 13th 1839

My Dear Sir

Your letter of the 10th did not reach me till last evening too late to make any inquiries in relation to the Mint bill, but in the Gloucester of this morning I find the bill a law, published by authority, and I don't doubt you will hear by this time so that all will be well, on that head.

On Friday or Saturday last we took up the other Mint bill (the one for the branches) and ordered it to a third reading, which will I suppose take place this day - no objection being made to it at that time.

I have had a long and good letter from our friend Kane on the subject of our ethics - our property, and agree perfectly with the sentiments therein expressed, and shall be governed accordingly in my conduct in relation to that property.

I am dear Sir Most truly and
Sincerely Yours
John C. Thompson

Dear Mr. W. Patterson

P.S. The President, it is said is again very ill but how ill I have not yet learned.

Mint of the United States,
Jan. 21st, 1837.

Dear Sir,

I have duly received your communication of the 17th, on the subject of the Morgan Medal. As the Act of July last expressly states that the new medal is to be "struck from the original die," and as the original dies are not at the Mint, it is evident that I can do nothing in the matter. There are two courses that may be followed. One is to have an inquiry instituted in Paris ^{after} for these dies, through our Minister there. The other is for Congress to authorize new dies to be prepared. In this last case a new appropriation will be required, and I think it ought to be of

\$2000. (The cost may not be
so great as this; but we might
be embarrassed if limited to a less
sum.)

I have not yet been able to
see the medal that Dr. Stuart
referred to. It is not in Dr. Stuart's
possession, but he has permitted to
send enquire for me where it may
be seen.

Yrs

(Y)

P. M. Patterson

Dr

(To
Hon. B. Stuart)
Member of Congress)

Treasury Department
January 21st 1857

Sir,

Your letter of the 13th instant was duly received, and submitted to the President who has sanctioned the rate of salaries therein proposed viz,

To the Second Engraver	\$1,500 per ann.
To the Assistant Payor	1,300 "
To the Treasurer's Chief Clerk	1,200 "
To the Clerk of the Night room	1,200 "
To the Book Keeper	1,000 "

Accordingly to your request the date of your report was altered to the 17th inst. I send you by this day's mail a copy of the new mint law.

I am, Sir, respectfully yr obt

Wm. Patterson Esq

Mint, Phila.

Saml. T. Lundy

Secretary of the Treasury

Philadelphia,
Jan'y 20th. 1837.
To
H. M. Patterson Esq.
Dear Sir:

It is with much
diffidence, we the undersigned workmen in the
United States Mint, venture this application, beseech-
ing you and your interest, in our behalf, for the
proportionate increase of our respective wages.

As our reasons for so doing, permit us
with respect to remind you of the exorbitant and
unprecedented price of the more necessaries of
life, such as house rent, fuel and marketing of
all kinds. Having families to maintain, children
to clothe and educate, we do seriously assure
you, that only by exercising the most rigid
economy and self denial, that we, and ours
are enabled to live.

In addition to the above, none of us
are exempt from sickness, and should any of us
in our present circumstances, be afflicted,

by it, what resources has the unfortunate one?
excuse us ~~when~~ when we say it, none, but the
charity of strangers: for the means of living being
so scarce, not even the practice of most strict
frugality, has proved us a resource, in so
probable an occurrence.

We deem it only necessary
to say that it is with utmost confidence, in
your influence, we entrust our selves to make
this Petition.

With high sentiments of respect
we beg to sign ~~our~~ ourselves.

Your Most obedt.

Martin Sumner

O. P. Swan	John Adams	William J. Garrett
James Noble	Geo. Mitchell	John H. Brunner
John Rigden	John Faneuil	John Richards
John Burdett	Henry Smith	George W. Lawrence
Wm. Hensel	James Barron	John R. Bolton
Edward Megowan	Thomas Britton	Geo. Mergers
Alexander Robertson	Wm. M. Bowen	Chas. D. Ware
Caron Crann	Jacob Sears	Henry Sammers
Samuel Terrickson	Jacob Elvick	George Kern
William Long	Robert A. Porter	Amos Miller

George Lowes
Archibute Porter
John S. Monell
G. Sumner

Thos. Lovell

Gettysburg Jan 2 20th 1857

Dr Sir

Doctor John Paulk of this place
is an applicant ^{for the appointment} of Surveyor in one
of the Prots about to be established
in Georgia or Carolina, his recommen-
dations (which are highly respectable) have
been at Washington for some time; in
a late conversation between a friend of
the Doctor and the Secretary of the Treasury
of the U S you were designated by the
Secretary as the person whose decision
would be requisite as to the qualifications
of the applicants - I avail myself of
our long standing acquaintance to solicit
your attention to the Doctor's wishes - I of
course offer no opinion as to his scientific
or practical qualifications, not being
myself acquainted with the subject in
theory or practice, but I can with much
pleasure vouch for his moral worth, and
unimpeachable integrity. I have known him
for many years, have always found him
Gentlemanly and correct in his deport-
ment & have never heard the slightest
imputation against his character, or

conduct - The several Professors of
the Literary institutions located here given
their testimonials in favour of his theoretical
attainments, he proposes visiting the West
at Philadelphia with a view of obtaining
the requisite practical insight in the business
if successful in his applications -

I shall esteem it a great favour if
you will write either to Doctor Parkhal or
myself as soon as your convenience will
permit making such suggestions on the
subject as you may deem proper.

Very respectfully

Yours Dr Sir

Yours sincere friend

W. R. Irvine

Doctor Robt Patterson

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan 14, 1887.

Grand Bank.

Pay to the Treasurer of the Mint, on Order,
Five Hundred & Sixty Nine dollars, and
77 cents.

\$512.77

A. M. Tattersall,
Director.

New York January 15th 1837

R. M. Patterson Esq
Quincy Mass
Care of

We sent you this
morning by Transportation Service -
a box containing Seven Bibles which
please have assigned. I remain as before
yours

Your obt Servt
J. R. Johnson
for Mr. C. Mott

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia, Jan. 18, 1837.

Girard Bank:
Pay to Adam Eckfeldt, Esq., a Bearer,
Twelve thousand three hundred
and twenty six dollars, & 25 cents.
\$12,326.25 R. M. Patterson,
Director.

1837 *Uncoined Copper*

1837	Dolls	Cts
To Treasurer of the Mint for Cost of 110 Works Blanchetts purchased from his invoice 42736 " <i>Indupais equal</i> to 51936.13 <i>Try</i>	11613	"
Ditto for freight &c on said Copper " " 100 "	100	"
To Chief Coiner for the value of Spoiled Blanchetts returned by him 87.6.0 <i>Try</i>	30	"
To Treasurer of the Mint paid transportation of Coins per account.....	150	"
51936.13	11893	
To Balance of this A/c gained to this date, consisting of Cash in the hands of the Treasurer to be applied as follows. to credit of the ordinary receipts & ex-pen- ditures.....	3063.66	
to the purchase of Copper.....	2850.00	
	5915	66
	17806	66

Uncoined Copper 1837

Dolls	Cts
By Chief Coiner for the purchase of Blanchetts delivered to him per Warrant of the Director.....	24505.6.10
Ditto ditto.....	27630.6.13
51936.13	17806 66

Am. & Sep. 17. 1837

Dear Sir

I have sent you an authenticated
copy of the Law, authorizing the renewal of the
Maya Medal -

I have made every possible
fact original die but without effect.
Doctor Mead of Phila. has a copy, whether he can
inform you when there is a copy of the medal.

Please inform me, what you
shall feel authorized to do, if the dies could
not be found?

Yours very truly
J. B. Allen

Dr. Rob. Patterson.

Philadelphia.

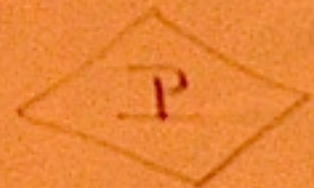


Shipped in good Order and well conditioned by P. N. Johnson & Co
in and upon the good Ship called the *Amelia*
whereof is Master for this present Voyage Henry Hutchison
and now riding at anchor in the London Dock and bound for

Philadelphia

Three Crates Earthenware.

U S M



Nov 1/3

being marked and numbered as in the Margin and are to be delivered in the like good Order
and well conditioned at the aforesaid Port of Philadelphia

the Pilot of the Ship's Company, here all and every other charges and drawbacks of the said River and Navigation of whatever
nature or kind, were not of force so far as Ships are liable thereto excepted unto R. M. Patterson
Esq. Director of the United States Mint Philadelphia
who has or they assign on paying Freight for the said Goods as per Bill

of \$ Sterling 16 10 00
Damage and Average accustomed. In Witness whereof the Master or Purser of the said
Ship hath affixed to these Bills of Lading all of his Tenor and Date the one of which
ever Bills being accomplished the other first to stand void.

Dated in London 1 November 1856.

Contents enclosed

Henry Hutchison

79 Hatton Garden London
17 January 1837.

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Sir

We had the pleasure to address you on the first of last November with Invoice and Bill of Lading of Three crates of Pottery & stoneware Capt. Henry Hutchinson on, which goods we trust have arrived safe, we also availed ourselves of that opportunity to send duplicates of the Shipment of Cornalque Capt. Leasells which sailed from London on the 5th July bound for New York and we are happy to state that we have heard of her safe arrival, but fear by your silence that some irregularity at New York may have taken place with regard to our goods by her.

We were recommended not to consign the Goods to an Agent at New York as the communication between that and Philadelphia was only a delay of four hours & we therefore trusted that on your receiving Invoice and Bill of Lading that you would adopt the best means of possessing yourself of the goods - we still trust they have long ago arrived at Philadelphia and given you every satisfaction.

We now enclose duplicate Bill of Lading of
goods of America and copies of both Invoices and beg
to add we shall feel obliged by a remittance for the
amount. pray present our kind regards to Mr. Peck
and allow me to subscribe myself.

Your most Obedt Servant.

D. M. M.

Duplicate Invoice of Goods for America sailed from London
1st November 1836.

U.S.M.	3 crates of Pottery	crates	1. 1. -
16 54	11 Sauces to fit Pottery jars	10	9. 2.
	12 Covers to do	8	8. -
	1 Low Pan		2. 2. -
	2 Pans 24 Gallons each	1/2 plate	14. 14. -
	1 do High 33 Gallons.	1/2	2. 17. 9
	2 do 48 " each	1/2	8. 8. -
	1 Horn.		8. -

Charges Including Carriage, Insurance
Bills of Lading &c &c 2. 10. -
£ 22. 7. 11

Duplicate Invoice of Goods for America, Capt. Leavitt
sailed from London 15th July 1836

U.S.M.	36 Cast Iron Silver Melting Pots, Muffles, Flues and		
16 54	6 Bottoms	3. 8. 0-9 @ 24/-	71. 9. 10
	7 Crates of Pottery	crates	7. 2. 9. -
	7 High Pans 33 Gallons each	1/2	20. 14. 3
	9 Wide and low Pans 25 Gallons each	1/2	19. 13. 9
	With feet for each	8/-	2. 14. -
	12 Pottery Jars	3/-	3. - -
	11 Horns	8/-	14. 8. -
	12 Pipes	3/-	1. 16. -
			125. 14. -

Charges
Including Insurance, Freight, Carriage
Bills of Lading &c &c 32. 5. 2
£ 158. 19. 2

Am^{ts} 26 July 1836
Dues 20 Aug

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Jan. 17, 1897.

Giard Bank
Pay to Merick, & Agnew, or Bearer,
Three Thousand Dollars.
\$3,000. A. M. Patterson,
Director.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan 16, 1837.

Sir,

I am exceedingly embarrassed
from not knowing whether the new
Mint bill has yet received the sig-
nature of the President and become a
law. May I ask you to let me
know if this last step in ^{the} legislation
has been taken, and at what date. To
learn this, I have withheld my an-
nual report till this time, as it is
drawn up on the supposition that
the new law is in force. I do not
like, however, to detain it longer, and
I ~~have~~ take the liberty of enclosing it
to you, with the request that it
may be returned to me if the
President's signature is not to be
given to the bill, or that you will

alter the date if that signature
has ^{is} not been given before this line
16th.

I am most respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
P. M. Patterson,
Quincy.

For

D. The Treasurer of the Mint,

1937

Sept. 23

1337

To Copper Breiages deposited to his credit in the Bank of — per War ^{ts}	18285	71
To .. Dells of the Dells	7493	93

7490 93

1777 6 66

His Copper Account

68

July	
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By Unwound Copper for 116 Cakes
of Blanchett's Powder

11613.00

Expenses of 100.00

11713

By Datto paid for Transportation of
Cair

150

By Contingent Expenses of the Mint
Account transferred. . . . 30.63 66

30.63 66

By Balance in hand received for the
Purchase of Planchette. . . . 2850

2850.

1877-1878

Mount Morris, Livingston Co. N.Y.
May 14th 1837

Dear Sir,

I am induced to enquire of
you about the genuineness of certain coin
offered in this region, to wit: half dollars
said to be counterfeit & very abundant. One kind
dated 1834 & filed on the edge thus -

"Fifty cents a Dollar *." - the letters
so distributed as to occupy the whole circle -

Another kind dated 1833 & others 1823 filed
thus - "Fifty cents or half a dollar *." admitting
a long space between the star & the word "fifty".

There is scarcely any difference between these and
all others, in point of weight, sound or workmanship.

Also I Frank pieces - dated Philip 1834. the letters
on the edge not indented like others, but prominent
or in relief, but appear in other respects good.

Your coin will much oblige many
who are interested in a sound currency.

With respect,

Yours etc. &c.

R. M. Patterson Esq.
Director of the Mint

R. Hooper

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia, Jan. 14, '97.

Sir,
I send you herewith a letter in which
I propose the salaries to be given to
the Assistant & Clerks at the Mint, and
which, in compliance with the act just
passed, I beg leave, through you, to
submit to the approbation of the President.
Should it be obtained, the ~~act~~ first
item of the appropriations for the Mint
will require him to be modified so as
to stand as follows:

Officers of the Mint.

Compensation to the Director	\$ 3,500
Treasurer	2,000
Chief Coiner	2,000
Assayer	2,000
Melter & Refiner	2,000
Enginner	2,000
Second Enginner	1,500
Assistant Assayer	1,300
Three Clerks	3,400
	<u>\$ 19,700</u>

As it is ^{proper} ~~intending~~ that this Coman-
tee estimate, ~~which~~ ^{and} ~~must~~ ^{be} ~~by~~ ^{the}
new law, should be submitted to the
Committee of Ways & Means, without
delay, I have taken the liberty
of sending it to you ^{even} before I have
learned whether the law has received
the President's signature.

Very

Respectfully

R. M. P.

Dr

To/
Hon. Levi Woodbury
Sec. of Treasury.

Washington 14 Sep. 1837.

Sir,

Your letter has been recd -

I shall in the early part of the next week
urge upon the House the necessity of taking
up the Bill to which you allude - I am aware
of its importance and will give it my attention
to have it passed as soon as possible -

R. M. Patterson
Director of Mines
Philadelphia

Yr. Obedt. Servt.

J. D. Townsend

Washington City 14th Jan 1837.

Dear Sir

A townsman and formerly a scholar, of mine Mr. B. D. Schmidt (Smith) asks of me a recommendation to You for some employment in the mint; as he has been acting as Warden, in the fabrication of the coins, in the mint of our Canton, and afterwards in Paris, of which he can produce satisfactory testimonials, being besides a gold & silver smith by profession; of course willing to act in any part in which You might be able to employ him, while acquainted with the nature of the processes he could render his services in a most judicious, therefore more advantageous manner. If You can, procure him some employment of some kind or other You will oblige me.

With best wishes always Yours

Dr Robert M. Patterson
Director of the Mint

J. R. Haysler

Philadelphia

New York Aug 15th 1837

R M Patterson Esq
Quincy of Mount
Pleasant

We sent you yesterday
per Mail Guard a package containing
3 pounds of gold. No 15. 16. & 17. which
please have assayed separately, and render
in different statements of value, as they belong
to different persons -

Very Respectfully
J. R. Eaton
Per
John White -

13th Jan 1837

Sir,
I avail myself of the opportunity of a
kind going to Phil^a to inform you that
I have in my possession ~~The Original~~
~~one of the first~~ ~~cut~~ ~~that~~ ~~was~~ ~~coined~~
the Date 1787 - on one side of the cut you
will recollect see Thirteen Rings forming
one Ring - in the Centre of which are the
Words "We are one" "United States"
on the other side is a Sun Dial, with the
Words "Fugio 1787" - and "Mind Your
Business" Thinking you would like
the possession of them by purchase I
have at the suggestion of Mr. W. Pease
written you on the subject - please
reply to this as early as possible as I leave
New York in a few days -

Yours

Paterson N.J.

J. Cleaveland M.D.
New York

Mint of the United States
Jan, 13th, 1837

Sir,

In Section 7th of the new Mint Law it is stated that ~~there shall be allowed~~ to the Assistants and Clerks, such annual salaries shall be allowed as the Director may determine, with the approbation of the President: provided, that an assistant shall not receive more than fifteen hundred dollars, and that a clerk shall not receive more than twelve hundred dollars."

Under this provision, I would most respectfully recommend to the approbation of the President the adoption of the following salaries:

To the ^{Second} Assistant Paymaster	\$1500
To the Assistant Assayer	1300
To the Treasurer, Chief Clerk	1200
To the Clerk of the Weigh Room	1200
To the Book keeper	1000

(the first is the salary already established.
(the second is a moderate allowance to
one of the most useful and intelligent persons
about the Ministry (Mr. D. D. D.) the
allowance to the Chief Clerk is not really
greater than he at present, for he has
heretofore received a commission on the
distribution of Copper Coins, which will
cease for the future. — The Clerk of
the High Court ^{holds} a most responsible
situation, and ^{fills} it faithfully and ably.
~~fills~~ — The bookkeeper is competent,
industrious, always at his post, and has
a family to support. — I hope, there-
fore, that the remuneration which I
propose will be deemed moderate, and
well be appreciated.

Yours, Sir, very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,
R. M. Patterson,
Clerk.

To
Hon. Levi Woodbury,
Sec. of Treasury.

New Britain, Conn. Jan^y 13th 1857

Dear Sir: -

Will you allow me to be indebted
to your courtesy once more, so far as to cast your
eye over the enclosed slip, and mark such correc-
tions as are required by the late Act of Congress?

Having come to the Article "Money", in a small En-
cyclopedia which I have in hand, I am solicitous
to be accurate, especially with respect to our own country.

Your kindness will confer a favour upon

your grateful &

Very Respectful Servt.

E. A. Burritt.

Answered Feb. 17, 1857. - by a
further statement prepared by Mr. De
Bois, - and a punctate copy of the
said law.

Minist of the United States.
Philadelphia, Jan. 12, '37.

Sir,

On my return to Philadelphia, I
find your letter of the 2d inst., and
have, in reply to it, to state, that no
steps have been taken, within my know-
ledge, respecting the medal of Gen. Mor-
gan, nor was I even informed that
a law on the subject had been passed
during the last session ^{of Congress}. The execution
of the law is, I presume, committed to
the Secretary of War, to whom I will
cheerfully afford my aid, if called
upon to do so.

Yours,

P. M. P.

Dr

W.
Hon. Bellamy Storer.

Charleston So. Ca Jan 12th - 1837

The subscriber is desirous of ascertaining from the Mint, on what terms five or six thousand fourpences (value $6\frac{1}{4}$ cents) and the like number of ninepences ($12\frac{1}{2}$ cts.) would be coined - or whether he can purchase them at the Mint, and on what terms. Also whether it would be allowed to add the name of an individual to the usual stamp, if so on what terms -

I am requested to make the above inquiries in behalf of a very extensive Coffee House in this ^{City}, the proprietors of which are really distressed for small change and can not purchase enough here on any terms -

by answering these rather
peculiar inquiries and
excusing the manner in
which this communication
is ~~is addressed~~ (through igno-
rance) the conductor of the
U.S. Mint will confer a fa-
vor upon

Respectfully

Oliver M. Smith

New York July 12th 1827

R. M. Patterson Esq
Quaker of Westmont
Canada

We have your letter
a package containing 3 parcels of gold
Nos 15. 16. 17. which please have
addressed separately, and different statements
attached, as they belong to different persons
I oblige

Yours Obedt servant
for J. B. B. to
John C. Smith

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Jan. 12, 1837

Sir,

Although I have not yet ^{information} received that the
new mint bill has become a law, yet
as this must seem to be fast a doubt, I
take the liberty of calling your attention
to the ~~necessity~~ ^{propriety} of giving a public notice
of the change of standard and weight of
the Coins, — a notice which, I presume, will
come with more propriety from the head
of the department than from myself.
I would respectfully suggest to you
some something like the following.

~~Treasury Department,
Jan. 1837~~

~~Notice is hereby given, that, ^{under} the
provisions of an Act passed by Congress of
the instant, the standard for ~~both gold
and silver coins~~ of the United States
will hereafter be such, that of one
thousand parts by weight~~

Treasury Department.
Jan. 1897.

Notice is hereby given, that, under the provisions of an act of Congress of the instant, all coins of the United States, ^{both of gold and silver,} ~~thereby~~ ^{the date of the} 1837 and subsequent years, will be made the standard piece, that of one thousand parts by weight, nine hundred and two of the pure metal and one hundred of alloy: that the weight of the gold coins will be the same as established by the law of 1834, ^{the eagle having ~~the~~ the weight of} ~~namely that eagle two~~ hundred and fifty eight grains, and the parts in proportion: and that the weight of the silver coins will be reduced ~~in such manner~~ so as to retain the same quantity of pure silver as heretofore, - the dollar having the weight of four hundred and twelve and one-half grains, and the parts in proportion.

W
Sec. of Treasury.

R.M.P.

Don

Mint
The Jan. 14, 1897.

Sir,

A letter of the 14th inst., just recd. from Gen. Gordon, informs me of the safe arrival, at New Orleans, of the Machinery forwarded for the Branch Mint.

Our clerks are busily engaged in making up the necessary data for the Mint Report, which I hope to send to the President this week.

Yr

R

R.M.P.

L

W
Hon. Lewis Woodbury
Sec. of Treasury

Dunk of America Jan 12. 1857

Dear Sir

Mr. Bleeker returned last evening
with 15 Bags of Coins from the Mint, amounting
to \$70,724.12 in Silver and \$900.54 in Gold
agreeable to the Statement furnished him
at the Mint, & being the amount due on
nine Certificates held by this Bank, & which
Certificates I herewith enclose -

I find that Mr. Bleeker did not
pay for the \$10. in new half Dollars sent
me from the Mint some time in Decr.
I have the pleasure to enclose therefore
our Cashier's Check on the Second Bank for
the amount -

I remain very respectfully
Yours obt. S.

Geo. Newbold

Roll Patterson Esq

Director of the Mint

Phila. ©

St. Office Stockholm
Jan'y 12. 37

Dear Sir

We are very much in want
of more Copper Coin & should be pleased
to have two Keys one for each Office
If not convenient to let us have two im-
-mediately Please from the goodness to send
us one soon as possible & much oblige

Yours very respectfully
J. A. Coddington

To
R. M. Patterson Esq
Director of the Mint
Phil^a

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Jan. 11, '87.

Sir,

On my return to Philadelphia, I find your letter of the 20th Oct.; and, although I had the pleasure of a short personal interview with you at Washington, I think it proper now to give a more explicit statement of my views, as to the appointments respecting which you make inquiry.

I consider ~~essential~~ that the Coiner should be a practical Mechanic, acquainted with the construction and management of the Steam Engine and Machinery, &c. With this general basis, he can soon acquire, at the Mint, the details necessary to execute his duties as the Chief. I do not know of any individual, at present, whom I can recommend for this situation, but who would be willing to accept it: but I am engaged in making inquiry for such a one.

As to the Assayer, I have a
perfectly competent person to recommend
whose claims, supported by Abel Barton
and others, are ^{already} before the President, and
whom I also present to your patronage.
He is Prof. Farnum, now of Wash-
ington College, Virginia. ~~During the~~ He
is an excellent Chemical Manipulator,
and has practiced the art of gold
assaying here to our satisfaction.
I would have confidence in him also
as a man of perfect integrity, and
of high character. As a man of Sci-
ence he would be an acquisition in
the gold region of your State.

I presume that the appointments to
the Offices of the Gold Miners will be
made as soon as the Bill with re-
gard to them is acted upon, and it
is of great importance that it should
be urged forward as early as possible.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your faithful servant,

Wm. Jacob Jackson.

R. M. P.

Dr—

Washington Jan. 10th 1857

Dear Sir

Just before we have adjourned
this evening we took up your Mint bill
as we call it, and agreed to the amend-
ment to it in the Senate without
a dissenting voice, and the bill of course is
finally passed - it will next be enrolled -
receive the signature of the officers of each house
- the sanction and signature of the President
and become law.

Permit me to congratulate you on this
favorable result of your anxiety and labor
for I consider that you have had quite
a triumph, in this matter.

In much haste I am truly
yours
John C. Calhoun

Wm. McKim Patton

Bank of America Jan 10. 1857

Dear Sir

I have your esteemed favor of the
9. enclosing your Treasury Check on the United
Bank for \$35,571.91 in payment for a Silver
Certificate for like amount, in case the propo-
sition made in your letter shall meet our
approbation. The arrangement proposed
is quite satisfactory and I enclose herewith
Certificate N. 129 for \$35,571.91 agreeable to
your request.

I congratulate you on your
success in obtaining the passage of the Anti
Bill, and will thank you for a Copy of the
law. I hope to be able before the
close of the present month, to offer you
\$400,000 Silver Bullion for Coinage.

I remain with great respect

Respectfully,
Robert Patterson Esq.

Quinton St. N.Y.

Proctor

Very truly yours

J. S. Wolcott

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia, Jan. 10, 1857.

Girard Bank
Pay to M. W. Bates in or to order
Fifteen Hundred Dollars.

\$1500. R. M. Patterson,
Director.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan. 9, 1837

Dear Sir,

To balance our account of Profit and Loss, or in other words to compensate for the waste of gold and silver bullion in the operations of the Mint, for the past four years, there is needed the sum of, ^{about} \$22,000 in gold, and \$40,000 in silver: in all \$62,000. These sums we must have in American Coin: because they have been so actually paid to our depositors.

The amount having been appropriated by law, and being now on deposit at the Girard Bank, we propose to settle for it by the account by checking for it, and receiving for our checks gold and silver certificates now due at the Mint. But as the Girard Bank has not now silver on deposit for coinage, sufficient to meet the above \$40,000, it is my wish to have them to ask that you will allow us to take up your certificate, No. 129, for \$23,571.91.

by the enclosed check. The balance
of Silver and all the gold will
be furnished to us by the Girard
Bank.

If this arrangement meets your
approbation, you will please to send
me enclosed, the certificate in ques-
tion, with the usual receipt for
the amount endorsed. [I understand
that Mr. Bleeker forget to bring
any certificates with him. He will
have him, on his return, with the
coins which are ready for you to see
106.]

I got back from Washington last night, — having succeeded in getting the Mint Bill through Congress. I will send you a copy by Mr. Bleecher tomorrow if possible. I can procure one, — if not as soon as we can get it printed here.

Mr. M.

Wm. Jacob, Esq. & R. B. Anderson

Philadelphia Aug 5. 1857

Dear Sir

Mr. Blanche from this Bank
will leave here tomorrow morning and
will return on Tuesday next. You will be
pleased to deliver to him on Tuesday morning
all the Coins then ready for us —

In haste very truly

Yours sincerely

Frederick W. Blair

Roll Patterson Esq

Director of Mint

Philad^a



Office of American and Foreign Agency.

New York January 8th 1837

R. M. Patterson Esq.

Director of the Mint of the U.S.

Philadelphia

Sir,

Having seen in the Mechanics Magazine
a drawing of the new coming Press recently introduced into
the Mint, I beg you will do me the favor to let me know
the cost of such a press complete, and the makers name and
residence, for the information of the Government of New Granada
and oblige,

Very Respectfully,

Sir,

Your Most Obedt. Servt.

Samuel W. Palmer.

Ans'd Jan. 12, '37.

Extract prices for the three presses, of them six, \$750

Mint U.S.
Jan 4. 1837.

Dear Sir,

Coins of the 23rd ulto was
received on the 26th. The Director of the Mint was then
absent, and has not yet returned. I may state to you
that a similar offer of a Platina Still was made in
October last, by a gentleman of your city, and was
declined; as we do not use platinum vessels in pressing.

I am very respectfully
your obed^t servant

Mr. Lewis Peuchtwanger
New York }

for R. M. Patterson
Director
Mrs. Outboid.

Mint of the United States.

January 4th 1837.

Dear Sir

On the 2^d inst. I received a letter from Hon. William Storer, to the Director of the Mint, asking what steps have been taken to carry into effect the law of last session respecting the medal of Gen. Morgan. On searching your Minute-Book, I find a letter from Mr. Storer, dated April 2. 1836, in which he states that he had reported a bill for renewing the above medal, & asks where the dies may be found. On the 4th April you replied that the dies were not at the Mint; that Mr. Peale, while at Paris, saw a collection of medals which had been struck there by order of our government, but did not recollect the medal in question. You say, that it would be very desirable to procure from Paris all the dies of such medals, by the agency of our Legation there; I intimate to Mr. Storer, that he would do a great service by asking the attention of the Secretary of State to the subject. I find no further correspondence upon this subject. As you are within reach of Mr. Storer, I have thought best to lay the matter before you, without writing to him, having, indeed, no information to communicate.

I regret to inform you, that Mr. Eckfeldt, Chief Coiner, besides having sickness in his family, is himself quite unwell. Yesterday he was attacked by inflammation in the chest, attended with hoarseness and

coughing, but he pursued his business, until afternoon, when by advice of Dr. Meigs, he was bled. To-day he seems worse, and I had hoped, would not leave his room, but a little while ago (about 11 A.M.) he went down stairs to give some directions about the counting, which exhausted him very much - added to which Mr. Sprague & myself waited on him with some accounts of Copper to adjust. While we were with him he became very faint, & was obliged to lie down for a little while for relief. The disease seems to be, a very bad cold, settled upon the heart: and of course, is a ground of uneasiness to his friends and fellow Officers.

The winding-up progresses. Mr. Peale is treating his waste, and making assays of it. Mr. Sprague is involved in the Copper Coinage. Mr. Benedict is making a statement of the Gold Bullion deposited during the past year & whence it was derived, for your Annual Report. Mr. Maxwell is balancing Mr. Peale's acct of Gold; and from a statement which he has just shown me, it appears that Mr. P. will not exact more than 20 of one millieme, wastage. No deposits have been received, so far, since the year commenced.

I would beg leave to remark, in addition to what has already been stated, as to the settlement of the Profit and Loss acct.

that we will have to await that arrangement in order to close our accounts; especially, as other matters depend upon it; & in fact, the Annual Report cannot be drawn up, in all its details, until that matter is settled. I know not what your judgment is, as to drawing upon the Bank of America, by check, for a part of that account. If it should agree with your views, I would beg leave to propose to you, to write, from Washington, to the heads of the Guar. Bank & Bank of America, to ascertain if the arrangement will be accepted on their part; namely, that we shall extinguish the claim of the Guar. Bank upon Gold now on deposit for coinage, to the amount of \$22,000, & silver \$8,000, by a check, from our ordinary books; & like manner the Bk. Am. - or for \$32,000 in silver. Or, the relative proportions of the two metals may be somewhat changed, if more agreeable, provided, that all the items shall amount to \$62,000.

If you should write upon the receipt of this letter, requesting them to direct their answers here, we may hear from them by Tuesday next, by which time, if we are favoured, all other accts. will be brought up.

Mr. French twanger A. G. writes to know if we will purchase a Platina still. Finding that you declined purchasing a similar

article (possibly the same) from Mr. Moore of N.Y.
in October last, I will venture to decline the
present offer. I am most respectfully

D. H. Johnson Your Obedt. Servant
H. E. D.

86 /
Wm. Brewster at N. York
Jan'y 11. 1837.

Bank of America Jan 2. 1817

Dear Sir

I have your favor of yesterday
with a rec^d for the 100,000 Mexican Dollars
left at the bank on the 29th and I beg you
to understand that the arrangement suggested
in your letter for the Deposits to be made
of the 2^d Inst^{ce} is entirely satisfactory

If you can conveniently furnish me
with a Copy of the New Mint Bill, I will
thank you to do so -

I remain with great respect

Yours Obedt^{ly}

Geo. Newbold

Roll Pattern Esq

Director of the Mint

Philad^a

Re W. Patterson Esq.
Dear Sir.

Laurel Jan 18. 1887

We are sending you
10 casks cut planks forwarded you,
which we hope may arrive in good
time.

Very Resp
Yours Obedt Servt
Crockett Bros & Co

Qca. 392 T. ea. 2.3527

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via New York.

Mint of the United States
Phila. January 3. 1837.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of 30th ult^o was received here to day. The United Bank of the United States has been consulted, as to its willingness to substitute \$1000 worth of its Silver Bullion now on deposit for coinage, by your check for that amount, and does not accede to the arrangement.

It will therefore be necessary, either to make such arrangement with another Bank depositing here, if that be practicable, or to make a deposit of Silver Bullion. In the latter case, it ~~should~~^{ought to} be in the shape of ~~such~~ foreign coins, ~~as~~^{say} Mexican Dollars, French Crowns &c. ~~which can be~~ A deposit of more than twice the ~~amount~~^{above} in French Crowns, has just been received ~~here~~ from a Bank in your State.

The Bank of America, N. Y. is a depositor of Silver Bullion here; ~~as~~ as also the Girard Bank, in this City. Perhaps you might arrange with either of them.

In any case, please to state to whom the coins shall be delivered, from the Mint. - They can be got ready, by the time you shall have made the necessary arrangements.

I am, very respectfully,

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Dakota 3rd Janry. 1837

Dr

Patterson
Director U. S. Mint

Sir

I am the Agent of the Bank
of Davis to purchase Gold Bullion at this place
& have to request you to be so good as to have
the Gold assayed & returned in the
Mint certificate according to the Bill, which
is all ways enclosed in the boxes, the two last
Boxes that I sent to the Mint was assayed
altogether without any regard to the bills sent
in, which places me in every other situation
& does great injustice to individuals that deposit
their Gold with me, below is the Invoice for
the Gold contained in Box No 23. which will
be sent to the Mint in a few days I do go
for the Bill ~~may~~ sent in the box may
be injured

I remain Sir your Obedt
Servt

Summerau	9	Box	4,235	M. B. Wofford
Logan	1	do	1,080	Agent
Mc. Mc. Olney	3	do	1,996	
Bulfinch	1	do	457	
Bank	25	do	11,373	
			19,141	Dwt

Washington, Jan. 2d, 1897

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty of presenting you some of the data on which must depend the propriety of substituting coins of billon for those of copper.

1. Up to the year 1855, inclusive, there were coined at the Mint 75,244,515 pieces of half cents, equal to \$7,524,451.50 in value. The amount of "Coinage" of the last year I do not yet know, but I suppose to be sufficient to reach the whole amount to \$50,000,000. It will still leave a large surplus.

2. Since the adoption of the present weight of the cent or half-cent, in 1796, our copper has been purchased in the form of planchets, ready for striking. The cost of these planchets to the Mint has varied from 25¢ cents to 42½¢ cents per pound. The fluctuations of price, being the fruit coming to share in the price of copper in England, and in part to the rates of exchange, these rates having varied from 20¢ per cent. in our favor to 10¢ per cent. against it. Up to the year 1834, all our planchets were procured from England; since that time we get about half of them from Lancaster, Massachusetts.

3. The average price of copper plan-
chets may be stated at 31 cents per pound.
The legal value of a pound of copper coins
is $41\frac{2}{3}$ cents. — Now that in view the mean
price, for the expense of coining copper is
very trifling, since the striking of the plan-
chets is the only operation performed at the
mint. We may therefore estimate the
profit of the copper coinage at about ^{one fourth}
thirtieth, or $2\frac{2}{3}$ per cent. of the nominal value, ^{second}.

4. The actual value of a grain of pure silver
is 0^{ct}. 269360; that of a grain of copper is
... 0^{ct}. 005952.

5. The French Standard of Billon is
one fifth, or 200 parts of silver in the thousand.
Since the above data it is easy
to find that the value of one grain of this
billon is 0^{ct}. 058634.

That the weight of such billon worth a cent,
is 17.05 grains; and consequently that the
weight of a two-cent piece would be 34.1 grs.

6. If the standard adopted for the billon
be one tenth, or 100 parts of silver in the
thousand, then the value of a grain of this
allong will be 0^{ct}. 059293.

and the weight of it worth a cent will
be 30.97 grs.;
and of the two-cent piece 61.94.

7. If these weights be adopted, however,
there will not only be no profit on the
coinage, but it will be very expensive to
the government, since all the operations ^{will}
have to be executed at the mint, ^{including assaying, rolling, &c.}
alloy, — casting the ingots, — rolling, and drawing
the strips, — cutting out the planchets, —
blanching, or cleaning them with acid, — and milling
them, — none of which processes are performed
by us in the copper coinage.

8. I have difficulty, therefore, in stating
what should be the weight of the billon coins
to make them as profitable to the mint as
the copper coins now are. Leaving the labor
out of the question, to gain $2\frac{2}{3}$ per cent. on
the coinage, the weight of the cent & billon
should be

If of standard two tenths, 19.79 grs

" " " one tenth 23.25 "

But even at this reduced weight, it must
not be forgotten that the coinage will not
be by any means so profitable as that of
copper.

9. A point to which I am anxious to
call your particular attention is this. The
copper coinage does not interfere at all
with the other operations of the mint. It
does not occupy our premises, our rollers,

our draw-latches, our cutting presses, our annealing furnaces, &c. &c. It will not be so with a coinage of bills, which cannot be introduced without being crushed by in the way of our other work, and, hence, seriously lessening its amount.

10. Coves of billows are noted in France and Germany, and I believe in several other countries. When new, they have ^{scarcely} the appearance of islands; when old and worn, of rusty metal.

11. During the reign of staphleum, the ^{mint}
yellow coins struck were ^{very much of the value of a} ~~decided~~. The yellow
coins have been struck in France since his time,
and, I believe, no copper coins since the Revolution.
The country, however, seems to be ^{sufficiently} fully supplied
with both.

12. The weight of the French Decime of better is 2 grammes = 30.864 grains. Its nominal value, — the tenth part of a franc, — is 1st. 864. Its actual value, at present prices of silver and copper, is 1st. 8099, so, that the French government have ^{but a very small} ~~scarcely any~~ seignorage on these coins, ~~as shown~~ at least, to be compared with ^{what} ~~owed upon the~~ ^{old} ~~copper~~ ^{and} ~~coinage~~.

(To be sent) ^{Rate} 1/4. The intrinsic value of billon is by no means equal to its cost. In the French standard, nine tenths of the whole value is in the silver;

but to separate this silver from its combination with the copper would be a very expensive process. Our standard alloys of gold and silver are such as may be safely employed in manufactures of these metals, so that they are intrinsically worth the values which they represent in coins: a condition in which alone consists the superiority of a metallic over a paper currency. ^{as to large sums at hand.} Billon would not possess this advantage, even if the coins were made of the full weight corresponding to their nominal value. The alloy is too base to be ^{itself} used in manufactures, and the silver is ^{in it} buried in ^{an} excess of copper.

13. This Willow is easily imitated, & as to hold out a temptation to counterfeiters, - a temptation the stronger, because pieces of so little value would not be subjected to a close search, and a material which changes its appearance so much by wear is by no means likely to distinguish it. Hence, the Willow has been counterfeited by coffee and by tinned means being taken to give to these imitate the Willow color.

{ 13 & 14 changed in order }

Per _____

R. M. Patterson

To
 Hon. Th. H. Benton
 U. S. Senate;

Mint of U.S.
Phil. Jan 2. 1857

Treasurer's Rec^d for 86711 ⁰² ^{due} " 6 gross

Dear Sir,

As you will perceive by the above receipt from the Treasurer of the Mint, your deposits came to hand: although I omitted saying so, in my last letter.

The deposits was rec^d on the 29th ~~inst~~ ult. but if you have no objections, that deposits will be only considered as for safe keeping here, and the deposits for coinage will bear date this day. This is very desirable in the settlement of our accounts for the past year and will not in the least interfere with your right nor delay payment. On the contrary I am inclined to believe it may rather be advantageous to you, as it will now come within the scope of the New Mint Bill (provided that should become a law, as is daily expected) and thereby be subject to no deduction for alloy. If the arrangement should be at all objectionable, I beg you to write to that effect at the earliest moment, and your wish will be complied with. I am most respectfully

S. M. B. Esq.